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MODERN WAR IS WON IN ADVANCE BY AGENTS

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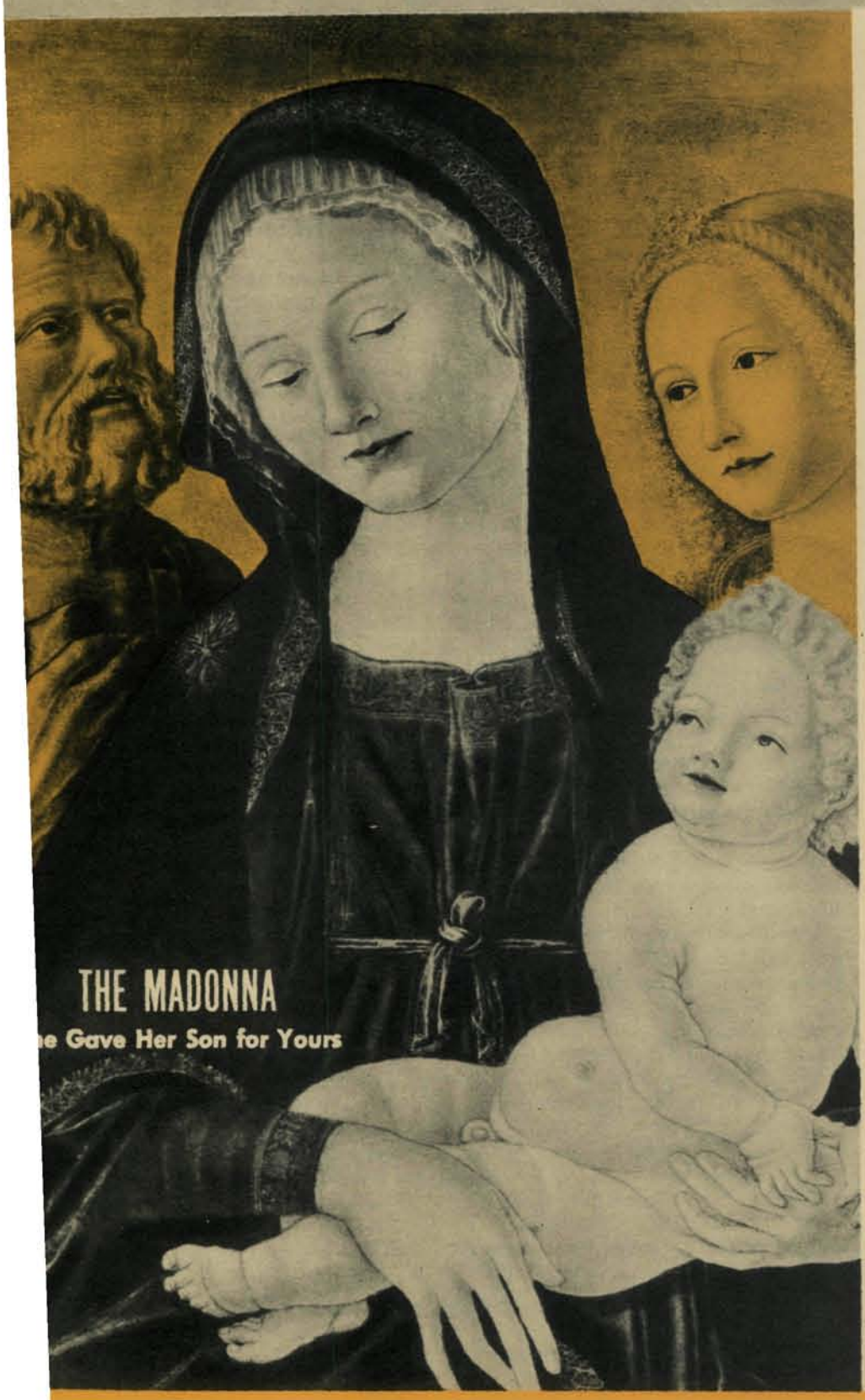

MOTHERS OF AMERICA SEEKING LAW AGAINST FOREIGN CONSCRIPTION

"THERE WILL NOT be any war," declared Miss Jeanette Rankin, former Congresswoman, in a recent radio debate.

"Why are you so positive in your statement?" she was challenged by another speaker.

"Simply because the mothers of America will not stand for it," was the reply. The Gold Star Mothers of the World War have learned their lesson, the first speaker went on. "If the women of America determine that there will not be a war for this country, make no mistake about it—there will not be!"

The campaign of American mothers for a peaceful — and prosperous — America is most timely and in hopeful contrast to the gloomy picture of a foreign world at war. The message to mothers in last week's edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE has met with a wide response. Letters from many parts of the country are pouring in upon Father Coughlin and the editorial desk of SOCIAL JUSTICE National Magazine.

For example, Mrs. Mary A. Decker, of Detroit, Michigan, is president of an association which has set its mind on getting things done. Her association's main objective is to keep Mrs. Decker's sons and other mothers' sons from being forced to adopt the new pattern of human collanders outside the ten-mile limit of the United States.

During the last war, so Mrs. Decker observes, thousands of young men enlisted because they knew that the good jobs in the army would be filled first; or, because if they failed to enlist, many penalties would be inflicted upon them for staying at home.

"How is your organization going to achieve its objectives?" Mrs. Decker was asked.

Indicating that she knew what she was talking about, she said: "Some of my friends advise me to have the Constitution amended. But almost every informed person knows that the dear old Constitution is now in cold storage—and likely will remain there as long as the red flames of Communism are multiplying in Europe and in our own country. So that's out. The best way to accomplish our purpose is to have the Old Faithfuls in Congress draw up and pass a practical bill which will not make it compulsory for our boys to enlist and fight on foreign soil."

> *"We did not raise our boy to be a foreign soldier!"*

"Do you think that a great number of Congressmen would be with you on this thing?" Mrs. Decker was asked.

Being a practical optimist and a two-fisted "getter-doner" herself, the Detroit mother pointed out that Re-

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FROM THE TOWER ★ **THE CASE OF FINLAND** *By* **Leon Hamilton** ★ **THE RESULT IN INDIA**

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DINNER CHAT
By the Staff

Our Program

In LAST WEEK'S edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE, Father Coughlin addressed a message of encouragement and counsel to those earnest groups of Americans who have formed, or who intend to organize, Social Justice Study Clubs. The response was immediate and widespread.

The editorial staff of SOCIAL JUSTICE is thereby encouraged in our resolution already made in these columns to be more *positive* in our program; that is, we are determined to put the future of America ahead of the fate of Europe. We are, too, more concerned about the country's *indifference to the causes* of Communism than we are disturbed about the smear campaigns of the Communists.

But for all of that, SOCIAL JUSTICE refuses any longer to go about the country with a long face and a "Puritan complex." It seems to us that there is enough gloom in the world already without our seeming to add to it with doleful condemnations and dire predictions.

Encouraged by the kindness of your letters, your National Weekly resolves—starting with this holiday season—to intensify our study and application of those sixteen principles of social justice, with which so many of you have been so long familiar. We are sure that the "veterans" of the social justice crusade will indulge with us if, for the benefit of many thousands of newer readers, we review some of these basic principles.

We do not intend to be flippant or facetious, but we do insist that the beauty of truth in these Christian principles is sufficient to lighten the gloom all about us. As the days go on, we believe that it becomes clearer and clearer that the hopeful outlook for America's future promised by the application of these simple and understandable principles will be the one bright spot in a gloomy nation.

Therefore, pass the good news along. If some friend of other days has let his subscription lapse, or no longer buys the newsboy's copy, because SOCIAL JUSTICE has been just as pessimistic as the rest of the newspapers—you'll do him a Christmas kindness to let him in on the good news.

SOCIAL JUSTICE is on the march toward a brighter day in America.

'Legalized Treason'

THE REV. Father Edward Dowling, S.J., of St. Louis, Missouri, associate editor of *The Queen's Work*, told an Indianapolis conference of the National Municipal League recently that: "Party government is 'legalized treason.' "

Father Dowling's enlightening contribution continues:

"In the words of George Washington, I think that not merely the hoodlum parties of Europe are vicious but that the American parties of Roosevelt and Landon are baneful, distractors of public councils and enfeeblers of public administrations, the cause of disorders and miseries, kindlers of jealousies, animosities and corruption.

"I believe with Lord Halifax that even the best kind of party is, in some sort, a conspiracy against the nation, legalized treason!"

Europe's Picture Dark

AN EXAMPLE of what the *negative* approach can do is exemplified in the international *impasse* that has been brought about in the economic world war going on in Europe. We are so tired of it that we're not going to discuss it any more; except as it bears upon conditions in America.

Let's just take one brief final glimpse of the silly picture:

To peace overtures of the Dutch and Belgian sovereigns, Mr. Churchill replied for England and France:

"You may take it absolutely for certain that either all that Britain and France stand for in this modern world will go down, or Hitler, the Nazi regime and the recurring German or Prussian menace to Europe will be broken and destroyed."

No room for negotiation there—nothing *positive*. Simply, "Hitler must go!"—In 1914 it was "the kaiser."

From Berlin came the reply:

"Germany has decided to fight until British supremacy in the world is destroyed, and will have no peace terms to offer until such a victory has been won. If Britain meddles in our affair with Poland, the price will be the destruction of the British Empire."

England thereupon countered with her blockade of German exports and, at this writing, Germany's counter-offensive was the threat of a "ring of mines about England" so that every ship approaching or leaving the island kingdom would be a "ship of death."

And the Feast of Christmas with its message of peace to men of good will is just one week away!

Let's Be Christian!

"Our primary responsibility as Christians living in a neutral nation is to use every effort to make our country in reality Christian. . . ."

The speaker was the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church, speaking at Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis and over a nation-wide radio network. The churchman went on:

"The extent to which God is able to use America as an agency for the establishment of ultimate justice and peace will depend upon the extent to which we Christians of America put ourselves and our resources to work in God's service. We must not, however, be content with the effort to make America Christian. Our aim must be a Christian world. This alone can insure permanent peace and well-being."

The Christian Spirit

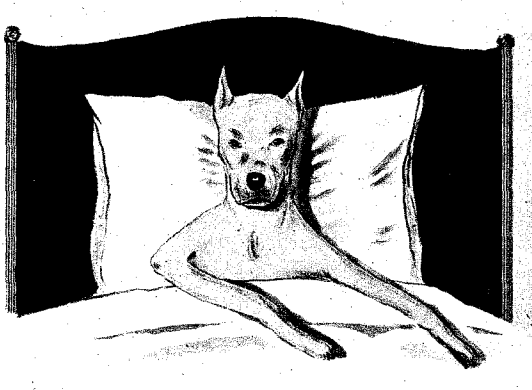
GREAT BRITAIN and her allies must prosecute the present war beyond great and convincing military triumphs if the goal of human freedom is to be defended, warns the Hon. George McCullagh, publisher of the Toronto *Globe and Mail*, in the last of his recent series of radio addresses on "Canada at War."

"If there is a glaring weakness in our liberal system of government," said the Toronto publisher, "it lies in the tolerance and 'fairness' extended to the wild-eyed fanatics of Europe, who, while enjoying the freedom of democracy, sneer at our most sacred privileges, spy on our defenses, and await the signal of a fuehrer to stab us in the back. . . .

"Look about you at this glorious land of ours. Look at its fields, and its lakes, and its rivers, and let your courage be as high as the mountains that tower in the West. . . . If you wish to breathe of the pure fresh air of Canadian liberty, do your part of the work which must be done. Lend a hand to your neighbor in want, and remember that only among the homeless and the hungry will the seed of alien doctrines take root.

"Our greatest defense against the forces of Anti-Christ are the simple things which lie deep in every Canadian heart. The clear echo of the woodsman's ax. A work-stained miner welcomed by his loved ones to his humble home. A draughtsman measuring his dream by the lengths of a rule. The smell of clean earth and the will to work it. The happiness of children's voices. The hand of friendship; the tear of sorrow . . . and work, and sacrifice, and play.

"In these homely symbols of beauty and life we will find the source of Canada's courage. And no disaster, no war, and no dictator will for long defeat a nation which can live in this Christian spirit."



Quiet Birthday for Pete

HELLO FOLKS:

In the midst uv all the 'citement uv Chris'mus time, c'n I come in f'r a littul sympathy? I sure feel low-down, 'n sorta repentunt f'r all the nasty things I've said 'bout my brother Pete, 'n I'm lookin' f'r shoulders t'weep upon 'n pour out my tale uv woe. It makes a fella feel like an awful heel, doesn't it, when somethin' tragic happens t' somebuddy y've sorta needled—I b'lieve y'feel worse'n they do, in a diffrunt way, uv course.

Well, here's my sad story. Th'other day Pete was out walkin' with Mr. Coughlin 'n was havin' a fine time, when his ushul caution 'bout stayin' on th' street 'n watchin' out f'r cars was forgotten, 'n out he skampered right onto our busiest thoroughfare—Woodward Avenue—'n the first thing he knew he was hit by a car. Poor Pete! It was nothin' short uv a mirakul that he wasn't killed outright, but luck was with him, 'n his injuries consisted uv only a broken hind leg. Mr. Coughlin, with th' help of some Good Samaritans who were passin' by, got him inta a car 'n down t' th' vetunary post haste where his leg was put in a cast. He had t'stay at the hospitul f'r a cuppla days, 'n then the vet said he could go home, but he'd hafta be kept on a soft bed uv straw 'n in a warm place. So, there he is—all laid up f'r th' holidays, down in Mother Coughlin's basement. Yep, 'n we won't be abul t'celebrate his first birthday, either, which is December 20th, in the ushul gay manner.

He's an awful good pashunt, folks. Y'd be s'prised how understandin' he is. He jus' seems t'know that he hasta lie still. Golly! He's so good that it makes me feel terruble. I'm so sorry f'r the mean things I've said 'bout him. I'll hafta reform, I guess—I don't like th' feelin' I've got at all. When I think uv what could've happened to my one 'n only brother I get a sinkin' feelin'. I'll hafta be extry nice t'him t'make up f'r it. It's gonna be diffrunt from now on—the spirit of brotherly love is gonna be in me. That's a good resolushun f'r the comin' year, don't y'think so, folks?

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Now that I've sorta done publik pennunce f'r bein' mean t' Pete I feel better—so let's talk 'bout somethin' more plesunt, eh? Golly—jus' annuther week t'wait f'r Chris'mus. We're gonna have a extry speshul celebrashun, judgin' by th' way all the Sisters 'n the kiddies from the school 're bus'lin' around. I guess I told y'bout that las' week. They're praktisin' like ev'rythin' on their Chris'mus carols 'n f'r the pagunt they're gonna put on. I tell y'folks, we're jus' a bunch uv busy beavers these days.

By th' way, I hope y'haven't forgottun 'bout helpin' me out with my Chris'mus presunt f'r th' Boss. I'd like t'have y' send in the subskripshuns this week at th' lates' so I c'n have 'em all ready t' give him on Chris'mus morning. I'd sooner have the pleshure uv surprizin' him like that than have all th' bones in th' world.

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Wel, now, if y're gonna get goin' with all y've gotta do 'fore now 'n December 25th, I guess I'd better let y' get at it. My failin' is that once I get started visitin', I never knew enuf t' stop.

Goodbye—'n don't forget—y're doin' my shoppin' f'r me, too.

—PAL

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England's Clash With Russia Foreseen in '14

IN JUNE, 1914, Colonel Edward M. House, personal advisor to Woodrow Wilson, was in Europe advising the President of the United States on European conditions.

A month before the assassination of the Austrian Archduke, Colonel House sent the following cable:

"The situation is extraordinary. It is militarism run stark mad. Unless someone acting for you can bring about a definite understanding; there is some day to be an awful cataclysm. No one in Europe can do it. There is too much hatred, too many jealousies. Whenever England consents, France and Russia will close in on Germany and Austria. England does not want Germany wholly crushed, for she would then have to reckon with her ancient enemy, Russia; but if Germany insists upon an ever increasing navy, then England will have no choice. The best chance for peace is an understanding between England and Germany in regard to naval armaments, and yet there is some disadvantage to us by these two getting too close."

In the light of the present day affairs of Europe, the famous telegram of Colonel House deserves our study. House knew the war was coming. House knew that it was *militarism run stark mad.* House knew, as early as 1914, that England *must always look ahead to that ultimate struggle with her ancient enemy, Russia.*

Today, as in 1914, there is little hope for peace out of Europe. Before the days of Communism, the Pope of Rome was the one leader in all the world upon whom to rely as a just, impartial arbiter and mediator among the nations. Today, neither will atheistic Communism trust the Pope, nor can the Pope trust atheistic Communism.

Up until now, there has been a second source of mediation, namely, the small independent nations of Northern Europe, including the Scandinavian countries and Holland in particular.

There was, too, the President of the United States, who from the viewpoint of our position of "splendid isolation," could stand with dignity in the role of mediator.

For some two decades, also, there has been a League of Nations.

Today all is changed. The governments of at least 250-million people in Europe reject Christianity, with the negative tenets of atheism on the one hand and the positive mythologies of paganism on the other. Suggestions from the Holy Father are not enthusiastically accepted by governments with atheistic or paganistic doctrines.

Small nations of Northern Europe are rapidly being drawn into the maelstrom of war. Russia's invasion of Finland brings the "Bear" into the Scandinavian Peninsula and cements a new alliance which needs no treaty to confirm it—the interests of Sweden, Norway and Denmark. Holland stands mobilized against the threat of German invasion and the suggestions of peace which might ordinarily emanate from the peaceful nations of the North are automatically silenced.

The League of Nations is as dead as the prehistoric Dodo Bird.

The President of the United States is no longer the arbitrator among the nations. Our historic position of neutrality has been ruined by the Neutrality Act itself. And it has been further ruined by the public speeches, the introduction of bills and resolutions on the part of the Cabinet Executives or members of the United States Senate, as one by one they created ill-feeling among the nations.

Witness the attempted sanctions against Italy in 1934, the countervailing duties against Germany and Italy in 1939, the announcement of the abrogation of the Trade Pact with Japan in 1939, and the immoderate speeches of such men as the Honorable Key Pitman of Nevada and the Honorable Louis B. Schwellenbach of Washington, the Honorable Harold L. Ickes, who shifted his position from Secretary of the Interior to a newly-uncreated one of "Secretary of the Exterior."

The Holy Father, the small nations of Northern Europe, the League of Nations and the United States Government, all are virtually powerless in the present situation.

Russia is England's historic enemy, and England knows her enemies as she knows her friends. It will be her part immediately to seek a strengthening alliance among the Scandinavian countries, Sweden, Norway and Denmark. Such an alliance will be part and parcel of the obvious encirclement program against the Central Powers of Europe, but far more important than that, it will be her newest move against her ancient enemy, Russia.

While her envoys sat for nine months in the Kremlin solicitating the identical pact that Germany signed with Russia, the British Empire fully recognizes the humiliation which is hers as Germany stole a march on her diplomats. In a sordid revenge we may now expect England's participation in war against Russia, by means of new secret or open treaties of offense or defense, to be concluded between the Northern States of Europe against Russia.

Christmas at the Shrine Always a Memorable Commemoration

Visit of Wise Men and Shepherds at Crib Dramatic Prelude to Midnight Mass

By **FATHER CYRIL KEATING**

It is Christmas Eve.

The chimes have just struck midnight. Darkness, and an expectant hush, falls upon the big crowd gathered in the magnificent Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak

Nineteen hundred years have passed since the God Man was born in a humble stable outside an inn near Bethlehem. Tonight, thousands gather to commemorate this event in a beautiful Christian temple.

Stars appear in the ceiling. Melodious voices are heard singing angelic hymns. Then the simple but intensely moving annual drama starts. Powerful rays of light appear high in the darkness as if shining out of the very heavens. It guides the Wise Men to the new-born King. Innocent angels robed in white mantles approach the crib. Shepherds in purple cassocks, white surplices and beautiful silk neckties are seen hastening toward the manger.

"Come all ye angels, Come, Come," is the refrain from more than a hundred voices. Choristers, altar boys and adult choir members lend trained voices to this memorable celebration. *"Adeste Fidelis"* and *"Holy Night, Silent Night"* charge the hushed religious atmosphere with a holy fervor.

Simple But Moving Dramatic Pageant

Hearts are moved. Tears are brushed away from the eyes. Souls are emotionally lifted by this simple but impressive drama. The birth of the Son of God is being commemorated within the sacred precincts of this modern shrine. The Subdeacon, Deacon and Celebrant for the solemn High Mass are in the procession.

The Babe of Bethlehem is taken from the crib by the Celebrant. His tiny effigy is placed upon a pallet of straw above the tabernacle atop the beautiful marble altar. The smoke of incense rises as the choir continues to chant angelic hymns.

The readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE National Magazine are invited to join us in spirit in celebrating the birth of the Saviour here at your Shrine on Christmas eve.

Father Coughlin will remember each of you and your loved ones on that night. His prayer will be that of the angels who sang on the first Christmas eve,

"Peace on earth, to men of good will."

While the solemn High Mass with its appropriate music will mark the midnight celebration, the real pageant will take place at 9 o'clock on Christmas Day. More than 60 choristers and 50 altar boys vested in beautiful cassocks will take part. Almost one hundred girls will lend the sweetness of their voices and the devotion of their innocent hearts to make this Christmas mass memorable.

Weeks of Busy Preparation

All the activities about the Shrine these busy days point towards Christmas. Priests and Sisters, artists and workmen, musicians and singers, are seen hurrying to and fro. Beatrice, the artist whose beautiful pictures at the Shrine are admired by thousands of tourists every year, is making lovely forms of angels. Mr. Willis, the engineer, is cutting these forms out of long strips of bright aluminum. "Oh, how that will shine in the lights!" comments some youngster. It will be used in the decoration scheme about the crib and stable, which will be placed between the pillars of the Narhex entrance. Charlie and Bill are busy building steps and frames to house the manger.

The Sisters of Charity are expending every effort to prepare the voices of the children. The altar boys and members of the junior choir appear to be walking around in the clouds. Are they ever proud of the parts they are to play! Mr. Guthoerl, the organist and musical director, is at the school in the morning and again in the afternoon. In the evening he is seen rehearsing with the senior choir.

And Father Cassian, O.F.M., is master mind for the whole stupendous undertaking. Under his direction all this work of rehearsal will blend on Christmas eve into a few brief moments of a fast-moving, but never-to-be-forgotten drama.

Mothers of America

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publican and Democratic Congressmen in both Senate and House had, either directly or indirectly, informed her and the 36 mothers who accompanied her to Washington recently, that they would stand by such a bill as long as it would not interfere with the liberties of those who wanted to enlist voluntarily, and as long as it would not impair the national defense of the United States.

The interviewer inquired further of Mrs. Decker if she believed in fighting. She replied that she absolutely believed in two-fisted fighting to keep the Reds out of America and to keep America for the Americans—even to the extent of applying a metaphorical "tar and feather" to those internationalists who cook up all the wars in the world.

Mrs. Decker is one of these determined women who cannot easily be discouraged. We pointed out that, after all, only 37 mothers went to Washington on this original mission. She replied:

"There were only 12 Apostles who started out on their mission!"

That is indeed the spirit of a Christian crusade. Of course, SOCIAL JUSTICE is back of Mrs. Decker and her determined Christian mother friends, provided that they do not entangle themselves in any top-heavy, formal legal organization, thereby permitting boring from within and mis-application of financial assets, and similar "organization" difficulties.

Mrs. Decker, in turn, understands all these things and knows full well that by the end of February—or preferably by the 22nd of February —some 50,000 or more mothers will have organized in their various communities for the common purpose of keeping their American sons from being conscripted to fight on foreign soil.

Ninety per cent of the mothers of her own age in the United States do not even know who their Congressmen are, Mrs. Decker observed in concluding the interview, nor do they know how to go about keeping their sons out of a foreign war, if our nation were to be drawn into one.

The letters of many of these mothers state that *they would rather see their sons dead in America than fight in another useless war abroad*—no matter under what pretext it will be declared!

Mothers living in any part of the United States who wish to associate with other mothers in their community to join this mothers' crusade are invited to correspond with SOCIAL JUSTICE. We will be glad to tell you more news of Mrs. Decker's plan, and that of other mothers' groups in these columns every week.

Why do we call the Stabilization Fund a SECRET fund?

See Answer on Page 9.

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New Deal in Warfare

Fall of Finland Work of Agents

Military Occupation Only Last Phase of Victory Already Prepared by Reds

By **LEON HAMILTON**

SOVIET RUSSIA'S victory over little Finland appears to be a *fait accomplis*. Russia's agents have done well their work among Finland's workers and soldiers. When Finland refused to sign the mutual assistance pact with the U.S.S.R., the Comintern dispatched agents into Finland to avenge the defeat of the Bolsheviks in 1919. Soviet Russia's agents, many of them native Finns trained in subversionism and sovietism, undermined the loyalty of the soldiers and sapped away the allegiance of the workers.

During the unsuccessful Finnish-Soviet negotiations, the Comintern through Finnish Otto Kussinen, former commissar of soviet Finland, and lately Georgi Mitrov's special assistant in the Communist International, gave orders to soviet agents operating in Finland to increase and intensify their revolutionary work. These soviet agents had been keyposted in army corps, government offices, factory, field, foundry and ship by Finnish sympathizers with the Soviet's aims and ideals.

Thus, Russia has adopted the Nazi technique of undermining the governments of independent and sovereign territories which the aggressor plans to annex. Germany employed just this strategy in those territories formerly belonging to the Second Reich; for German strategists realized that within these territories there would be many citizens who remembered their former government and who yearned to return to that government. Thus, Hitler and the *Gestapo* dispatched Nazi agents to operate within the Saarland, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia and Poland.

Revolution, Not Invasion, Is Victory

The revolution precipitated within the borders of these nations was the victory; whereas the external occupation was merely a supplement to the revolution. Revolutionaries already had undermined the legitimately constituted government, destroyed the morale of the citizenry and disrupted all forces and agencies of national defense; thus the revolutionists prepared the way for the whirlwind advance of foreign armies.

When the agents of the Comintern reported to headquarters that their work was completed, Moscow's radio stations called upon the Finnish people to overthrow the existing "tyrannical, belligerent, traitorous and anti-soviet government." The Russian newspaper, *Izvestia* and *Pravda*, listed "unprovoked attacks on Russians" and "unreasonable Finnish advances into Russian territory."

The Russian leaders reported that the Soviet government "had used every conceivable means of settling the difficulties with Finland," even to an offer for the exchange of territories; but that the Finnish government "persisted in its belligerence." Russian propagandists next warned the Finns that the Russian attack by air, land and sea would cause useless death and destruction, and that amid such wholesale destruction the Finnish ministers would flee as did the governors of Poland.

Air Bombs Rained Death in the Streets

The tragedy fell when Russian airmen bombarded Finland's strategic cities and plunged them into darkness and despair. The Russian navy rained shells into peaceful seacoast cities, transforming them into cities of the dead. Russian armies threw their manpower against undermanned Finnish defenses, turning them into a shambles. Then the brave Finns began to resist along all fronts and the Russian advance was stemmed and at points turned back. But the Finnish defenders lost heart when they learned that their own soldiers in the Mannerheim line had revolted, and that the Finnish workers in some cities were clamoring for a peaceful surrender to Soviet Russia.

Now, for some time the government of Finland has been a strange combination of State Socialism and democracy, which resulted in a quasi socialistic form of government. The existence of various Finnish workers' and soldiers' groups are the result of the continued exposure of Finland to Communist propaganda and agitation. General Mannerheim with the help of the German armies was once able to throw back the red hordes of Russia.

The personality and strategy of Mannerheim were able, furthermore, to accomplish the seemingly impossible task of keeping Rightists and Leftists living together in peace. The Rightist landowners and capitalists were supported by the German government; while the Leftist workers and soldiers were constantly aided and subsidized by Soviet Russia.

Nazi-Soviet Pact Doom of Finland

Before the signing of the Nazi-Soviet pact the Finnish Rightists and Leftists were in an *impasse* for Russia and Germany each feared the other's influence and intervention in Finland. However, with the Nazi-Soviet pact Germany signed away her sphere of influence over Finland to Russia and immediately the kremlin set about to capitalize upon that advantage.

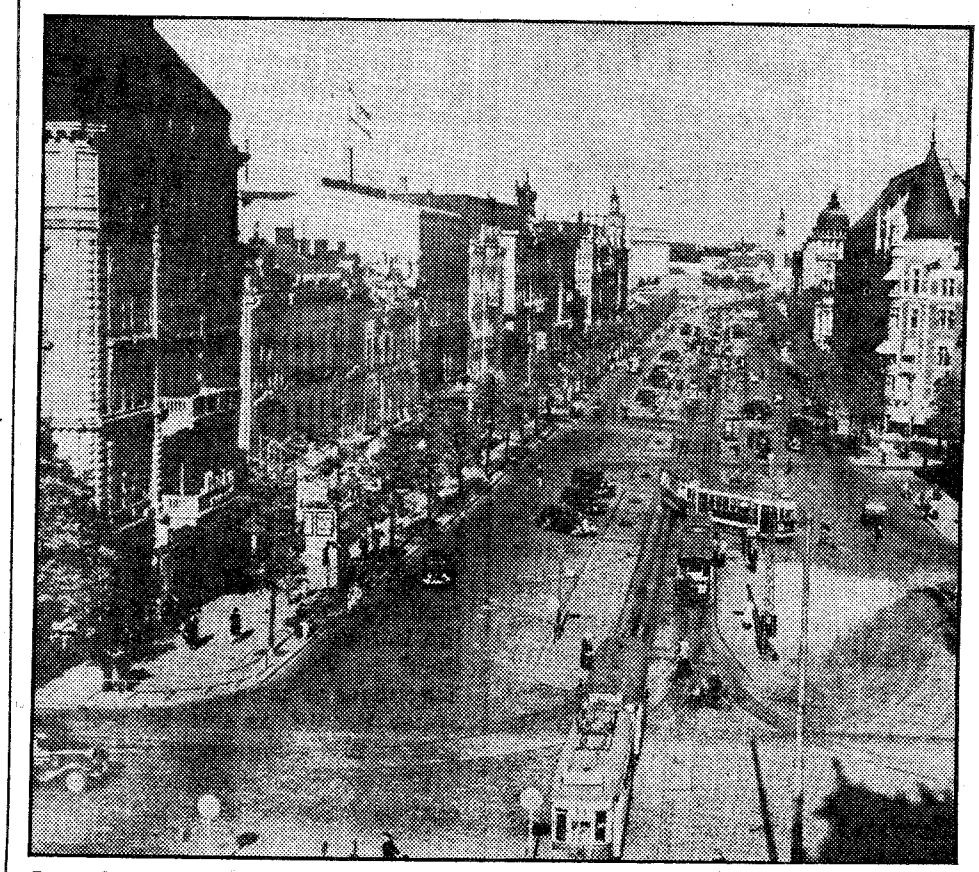
Baron Mannerheim realized that Naziism had gone so far left that Finland could no longer depend upon Germany for aid against Russian aggression.

Finland seems doomed to become just another reclaimed portion of former Russian territory. To effect the total restoration of the old Russian empire in Europe, the U.S.S.R. needs now to annex only Bessarabia, a part of Roumania.

Adopting another Nazi trick, the Soviet set up a foreign government within a peaceful sovereign nation, a puppet regime opposed to the legitimate government. This is the only government that Soviet Russia will recognize.

Russia's action would thus be tantamount to the appointment of William Z. Foster, Earl Browder, Israel Amter — Ford, Weiner, Hathaway, Spivak, *et. al.*—to Cabinet posts in a puppet United States Soviet and refusing to recognize the Government of the legal Roosevelt administration.

Soviet Russia announces that the U.S.S.R. will do business only with Communists.



Into this peaceful street scene in Helsinki, the capital city of Finland, fell the fearful rain of Soviet air bombs and incendiary shells, killing scores of women and children busy with their Christmas shopping, and bringing fire and devastation to the defenseless city.

Finns' Fate Exposes Red Menace to U.S.

"The Russian invasion of Finland was hardly under way when the Communist Party in Finland issued an appeal to Finnish soldiers to lay down their arms and welcome the Red army.

"The first Finnish soil occupied by the Russians became the seat of a puppet government, servile to Moscow, set up by Finnish Communists.

"Thus was carried out *the purposes for which the Communist Party had existed in Finland.*

"It was a revolutionary organization, set up by Moscow, financed by Moscow, and carrying out the orders of Moscow.

"That is why Communist Parties exist in any country—to prepare the way for revolution and to assist in Communist conquest when the time is ripe for it. . . .

"The Communist Party in the United States exists for exactly the same purpose.

"The Communist Party in the United States is no more American than the Communist Party in Finland was Finnish.

"It is not a political party, but a revolutionary organization."

—From an editorial in the *Detroit Times*

Big New Contest, 'Forward America' Opens January!

EVERYBODY likes a contest in which he can pit his wits and energy in friendly rivalry against those of his neighbor. That is why football games fill college stadia and baseball grandstands are loaded to the roofs with shouting humanity.

SOCIAL JUSTICE contests in the past have roused readers of this weekly to heights of enthusiasm. Thousands of men and women in the great army of Social Justice-ites would never think of not entering one of these great nation-wide competitions. Many have won prizes in several contests, although the general rule is that each new test brings out a fresh crop of winners.

The **"FORWARD AMERICA" Contest** opening in these columns on January 1 will prove no exception. It will be the "greatest ever" among enterprises of this kind conducted by SOCIAL JUSTICE since December, 1936.

The new competition is calculated to drive the national circulation of our magazine closer to the mark of one million readers. It will be strictly a subscription contest with the prizes awarded according to the number of regular and bonus votes obtained by contestants for the subscriptions they obtain.

It seems at this writing that ten 1940-model automobiles ranging up and down the price gamut from Cadillacs to Fords and Chevrolets, will be given away FREE to the winners. In addition to these handsome awards, more than 150 cash prizes will go to runners-up.

All Platoons and Social Justice Clubs are asked to place themselves in readiness for the big drive. Meetings should be held between now and January 1 and candidates appointed to represent these groups during the Contest. Although only individuals may enter the Contest, each one can be bolstered up by the help of his or her Platoon or Club mates.

Distributors' organizations are asked to boost the Contest in every manner. It must be remembered that every new mail subscriber to SOCIAL JUSTICE helps directly and indirectly in bringing the principles of Father Coughlin to the attention of additional citizens. Thus street sales are increased.

It will be a great competition for the 14 weeks of its life, and every reader is asked to do his or her part, both for individual benefit and for the cause as a whole.

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Farm & Labor

Two Unions Quarrel; New Strike Threatens

N.L.R.B. Abets Division; Jobs of 100,000 Automobile Workers Are at Stake

THE NEWS: Another automobile strike, involving a possible 100,000 workers, was threatened this week in a three-way fight between the American Federation of Labor, the National Labor Relations Board, and a Communist clique within the C.I.O.

The strike threat arose simultaneously with a call for an N.L.R.B. election in the Detroit Midland Steel plant, engaged in manufacturing automobile frames for Chrysler, Briggs Body, and Ford units. An election in March, 1939, established the A.F.L. wing of the United Automobile Workers Union as the bargaining representative of a majority of the men in the Midland plant. The N.L.R.B. capitulated to new C.I.O. demands, however, and called for another bargaining election.

Should the C.I.O. be successful in its Midland bid, it has served notice that it will press the management for a series of further demands, including a closed shop, vacations with pay, and a 10-cent hourly wage raise. These are the same demands that caused the 54-day Chrysler strike, with a $15-million wage loss for 58,000 Chrysler men, and unemployment for nearly 90,000 others in "feeder" industries.

The Midland management has indicated that it will not concede the closed shop issue, should this demand be raised, and upon this stalemate is poised the new strike which may be called by the C.I.O.

COMMENT: *The National Labor Relations (Wagner) Act* guarantees the laborer the right to bargain collectively with management, through representatives of his own choosing. The National Labor Relations Board was set up to see that the workers are given this right.

For three years the situation existing between Midland management and Midland workers has been a happy one. Not one hour's employment has been lost through labor disputes. Men working in the plant average approximately $1 an hour. Women average between 70 and 95 cents an hour, on both time and piece rates. Before the union was certified, women workers received on an average, 48 cents an hour.

Midland workers are represented by Local 410 of the United Auto Workers, A.F.L. They selected this union freely, after the rupture which split the communistic faction of the U.A.W. off from the American faction, which bars Communists from office. Why then an N.L.R.B. election? Perhaps the Communists can answer that question.

Local Broke Away From Communist Founders

Under a provision of the *Wagner Act*, the N.L.R.B. is authorized to demand that management and union "show cause" why an election should not be held. The union pressing for the election is exempt from proving its case. The union *defending* its bargaining provisions is required to prove that, at the moment, it represents a majority of the workers in the plant. This is the knotty problem facing Midland Local 410 in seeking to prevent a seizure of bargaining privileges by irresponsible communistic leaders in the C.I.O.

Midland Local 410 grew out of old Local 155, founded by John Anderson, Communist candidate for governor of Michigan in 1934, and Nat Ganley, whose Communist Party name is "Kaplan." Tired of Communist harangue and destruction, Midland workers broke away from Moscow in 1937; elected their own officers; formed Local 410 chartered by the U.A.W.

When the Homer Martin-John L. Lewis split occurred last year, Midland workers held an election to choose between the A.F.L. and C.I.O. factions of the U.A.W. Overwhelmingly, they chose A.F.L.

Wagner Act Changes Seen As Vital Need

Far from satisfied with the A.F.L. decision, the C.I.O. began a program of disruption designed to swing the strength to the Lewis union. Toward this end, C.I.O. Communists forced "designation cards" upon Midland workers through coercion and intimidation. A C.I.O. organizer was assigned to the plant; 20 C.I.O. *"goon squad"* members broke into the offices of Local 410 and seized membership records. Next came the demand upon the N.L.R.B. which hastened to accede the C.I.O. request for still another vote.

Communists within the C.I.O. have been able in recent months to tie up General Motors, Chrysler, Bohn Aluminum, and other factories. Is Midland Steel to be next?

It appears likely that the Wagner Act will be revised in the next session of Congress. It sincerely is to be hoped that the essential rights of labor will be preserved, through the assumption by labor of correlative responsibilities. Reaction to labor excesses always is destructive to labor's rights. This is the object of Communist labor wreckers who thrive on disorder; and who starve when peace reigns.

GOV. FRANCIS P. MURPHY

People's Savings 'Blacked Out' by National Debt

THREE YEARS AGO New Hampshire's Governor, Francis P. Murphy instituted a systematic audit of the state's economic picture, as a basis for future legislation.

Recently completed, this audit reveals that: *(1) Unemployment relief measures actually have created unemployment; (2) governmental debt has blacked out the net savings of the people; (3) business and agriculture are operating at a loss, drawing on depreciation funds for operating expenses; (4) every consumer dollar is taxed 17.9 cents; (5) deficit spending is unsound because debts must eventually be paid or repudiated, and meanwhile interest accumulates; (6) taxation is sapping income in both higher and lower brackets.*

Governor Murphy's report backs up criticism of the New Deal in its economic policies. It concludes that **"simple arithmetic shows no method can be devised by which the citizens can share more than they collectively produce."**

New Deal Holds Fast to Russian Tie

THE NEWS: As demands grew in official Washington for a severance of diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia, action on the demands stalled in administrative quarters. Meanwhile it appeared the Republicans would attempt to evolve a campaign issue out of the matter.

Former President Herbert Hoover led the attack on recognition of the U.S.S.R. "We long since have withdrawn our ambassador to the Nazi government of Germany," he pointed out. "Is the assault on the freedom of Finland, and the dead women and children in its streets any less a shock to us than the Nazi barbarities?

"Mr. Roosevelt gave recognition to the Communist government by treaty and the exchange of ambassadors. That gave them standing as a decent member of the family of nations," Mr. Hoover said.

COMMENT: Responsible sources have thus laid the blame for Russia's invasion of Finland at Mr. Roosevelt's doorstep.

Even before the Russian invasion, ample grounds existed for a severance of diplomatic ties, and a breaking of trade relations. Maxim Litvinov, then Commissar of Foreign Affairs, gave Mr. Roosevelt his government's pledge to refrain from propagandizing this country, when the Roosevelt-Russian pact was signed in 1933.

Since that time the Reds *have* propagandized this country thoroughly, through such figures as Browder, Oumansky, and many others. Now that Communist bestiality has been demonstrated, it weighs upon the Roosevelt administration to make amends for its part in coddling the cause of Communism here, if not its organized murder in Finland.

We say again: ***Withdraw recognition—now!"***

Cost-of-Production: The Key to Lasting Solution of 'Farm Problem'

By a Staff Correspondent of SOCIAL JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The return of Congress in January will mark resumption of debate on the perennial "farm problem."

With both major political parties striving to "do something" for the nation's 30-million farm dwellers, with an eye on the 1940 election and the farm vote, there is reason to expect that cost-of-production farm relief will have a prominent part in the discussions.

As we understand it today, the farm problem dates from 1920 when, after the panic, the Federal Reserve Board sparked the process of devaluation, and thereby dumped the farmers into a state of dismal depression. Since that time, although both administrations have sparred with the problem, nothing constructive has been accomplished.

Endorsed by All; Passed by None

SOCIAL JUSTICE long has advocated that the farmer be guaranteed his cost-of-production, and a fair profit on his work and investment. If this were accomplished, farm income would be raised to the point where the agricultural population could purchase the products of industry.

As early as 1925, the cost-of-production system was discussed as a means to solve the farm problem. *Since that time the principle and system have enjoyed the endorsement of every noted farm thinker, and every noted farm agency, including the present Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace.*

But every time the principle and system have been reduced to legislation and presented to Congress, the legislation has been defeated. Although the New Deal agrees that farm income must be raised, the economic idiocy of this administration is such that it seeks to raise income by destroying or curtailing the farmer's output. The rest of the nation then is penalized to give the farmer a subsidy, in the hope that this subsidy can be pushed high enough to raise farm income to the point desired.

Although neither farmers nor urban dwellers agree that this subsidy is the proper solution to the farm problem, it continues as the only means tried. But if the cost-of-production system were to be put into effect, such subsidy would be done away with.

The cost-of-production system is an economic farm plan designed to raise the farmer's cash income. If applied properly, the system would be capable of elevating national farm income to the point of $15-billion annually. The plan rests upon the assumption that farming is a business, just as automobile manufacturing is a business. As such, the farmer's investment in land, buildings, implements, stock, and the farmer's output for fixed charges, overhead, labor and wages must be compensated just as these items must be compensated in manufacturing and industry.

Cost-of-Production: What It Accomplishes

To elevate the farmer's income to the point where it will compensate for his investment and output, it is suggested that a two-price system be put into effect, under the regulation of the Government. This two-price system would establish a minimum "cost" price for the major agricultural commodities, sold in the domestic market, and provide for the exportable surplus to be sold on the world market, at the world price.

This would guarantee to the farmer his cost of production, for the established minimum price would be fixed on all major crops, and this minimum price would be sufficient to cover his land investment, his investment in improvements, implements and stock, and also his expenditures for taxes, insurance and wages.

At the same time the domestic market would be protected against fluctuating prices by the regulation of competing, import crops produced at lower cost abroad. The income derived from the sale of surplus crops abroad, at the world price, would pay for the costs of administering the act. The farmers would benefit, and so would the urban dwellers, freed from the necessity of paying farm benefits.

The principle of cost-of-production was written into a bill presented to the Senate, in January, 1938—bill "S-570,"—and in identical measures introduced in the House. With the farm situation now worse than it was before, it is certain Congress again will be brought to the point of considering cost-of-production in the upcoming session.

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Liberty of conscience and education.

Just living annual wage.

Nationalization of important public resources.

Private ownership of all other property.

Control of private property for public good

Abolition of Federal Reserve Banking System and establishment of a Government-owned Central Bank.

Restoration to Congress of its sole right to coin and regulate the value of money.

Cost of living maintained on an even keel.

Cost of production plus a fair profit for the farmer.

Labor's right to organize.

Recall of non-productive bonds.

Abolition of tax-exempt bonds.

Broadened base of taxation on basis of ownership and capacity to pay

Simplification of Government and lower taxes.

Conscription of wealth as well as men in event of war.

Sanctity of human rights preferred to sanctity of property with Government's chief concern for the poor.

Confusion

ISAIAS, the Prophet, in the thirty-fifth chapter and eighth verse gives the followers of social justice an inspired text. *"This shall be to you a straight way so that fools shall not go astray in it."*

The farmers, the workers of America. are faced with confusion.

Christ's last words addressed to the Apostles before he ascended into Heaven were, *"You shall be witnesses unto Me in Jerusalem and in Judea and Samaria and even to the uttermost parts of the earth."* Today, nineteen centuries later, the witnesses confuse the working man and the farmer, as they tell him, "Here is Christ. There is Christ. Behold! He is in the desert. Behold! He is in the closets."

Take, for example, the average American worker in a mass production industry. Remember the words of Isaias as of old, "This shall be to you a straight way so that fools shall not go astray in it." How does the workingman keep the straight way?

He follows two leaders. One is Leo XIII, who surveyed the road and, after surveying, leveled the hills, filled the valleys, removed the rocks, bridged the rivers and creeks, to be followed by Pius XI who completed the fine grading, laid the concrete, finished the shoulders, erected the protective fencing and placed the signs of safety along labor's highway. From 1891 to 1931, for forty years, the straight way was under rough construction. Then came Pius XI to finish the straightway and dedicate it on May 15, 1931.

With every good road a maintenance gang is necessary. That maintenance gang has been most ably represented by Father Coughlin. He has not stood alone. Behind him, through the years of activity, has been his illustrious superintendent, the Most Reverend Michael J. Gallagher, Bishop of Detroit.

Today, such a man as the Most Reverend Francis J. L. Beckman, Archbishop of Dubuque, Iowa, is the great superintendent of the maintenance forces to keep the way straight so that labor can follow.

There are those, who, like little children, love to turn the street signs to confuse the stranger and love to re-direct labor to the by-ways referred to by Isaias. But, the road engineered and designed by Leo XIII and finished by Pius XI is to labor a straight way so that fools shall not go astray in it.

Wheats Hits a Dollar

ON TUESDAY, December 5, the financial pages of the press of the nation announced that wheat had once more hit the dollar mark. The date is as important as the dollar.

It is economic necessity that sends a bushel of wheat to market, just as it is economic necessity that sends a hog to market. It is the history of recent years that when the bins of the farmer are emptied, then wheat advances.

Two years ago the editorial staff of SOCIAL JUSTICE was violently assailed by a member of the Chicago Board of Trade for the publishing of a simple truth. The truth was that wheat advances historically and, with few exceptions, annually, *immediately after wheat has been sold by the American farmer* and is in transit, in the elevator or on its way to the miller.

The Honorable William E. Borah, the distinguished Senator from Idaho, two years ago introduced a resolution for the investigation of the Chicago Board of Trade to determine what influences increased the price of wheat only after it had left the hands of the farmer.

The most prominent trader in wheat of the world at that time stated, "It took me twenty-eight years to learn that there was only one time to buy wheat, and that was while it was still in the farmer's hands, but immediately before it left his hands to take its course in industry."

The foremost writer on wheat trading actually published his calendar on wheat, publicizing bumper crops in Argentine, bumper crops in the bread-basket of Europe, the increased use of substitutes, and a whole litany of vague press releases designed to depress the wheat market. Then came the months in which the calendar represented the rust, the drought, the early frost and a host of other scarcity fears introduced into the minds of those superficial followers to encourage them to buy. Now that wheat has left the farmer's hands, it may be expected to rise.

And rise it should, for wheat at a dollar is the trader's price of the years and simply means gold at $20.67 an ounce. Historically, and for centuries, the cost of raising twenty-two bushels of wheat has been the cost of producing an ounce of gold. What we call dollar wheat is in reality 98c wheat.

When the world encountered new gold discoveries, it likewise encountered the inventive powers of those mass production agriculturists who made the extensive cultivation of the vast wheat fields of the world practical.

Gold is now $35 an ounce, and the normal price of wheat is $1.66 a bushel. There is no encouragement for the farmer in this, for a manipulative wheat exchange known as the Chicago Board of Trade will continue to see to it that the Calendar of Sinners is followed.

All good news on excellent crops, sufficient moisture and other glad tidings will be current news in the months in which the farmers are raising and marketing wheat. Then comes the day when the wheat is ready. The banker calls the farmer's loan and buys wheat long. So does the rest of an informed circle. Wheat then goes up until another marketing season approaches.

A Lesson From Pericles

AS AMERICA prepares the way for so-called national defense, we find it emphasizing extensively that type of preparedness which comes from a greatly enlarged army, navy and air force.

Historically, the United States never engaged in the armament race which cursed foreign nations.

Historically, we placed our reliance upon our national conduct and the spirit and bravery of our citizens when war actually threatened.

A striking contrast between the ancient cities of Athens and Sparta, in a certain sense, reflected the late contrast between our own beloved country and the militaristic powers of Europe. Pericles, in glorifying the Athenian spirit in a funeral oration, at the close of the Second Peloponnesian War, insisted that the Athenian was ready to face the perils with a light heart, but without laborious training, and with a courage that is garnered by habit and not enforced by law.

Excerpts from this historic address are worthy of re-study by the patriots of America:

"And we have not forgotten to provide for our weary spirits many relaxations from toil. We have our regular games and sacrifices throughout the year; at home the style of life is refined, and the delight which we daily feel in all these things helps to banish melancholy. Because of the greatness of our city, the fruits of the whole earth flow in upon us; so that we enjoy the goods of other countries as freely as of our own. . . .

"And in the matter of education, whereas our adversaries from early youth are always undergoing laborious exercises which are to make them brave, we live at ease, and yet are equally ready to face the perils which they face. . . . If then we prefer to meet danger with a light heart but without laborious training, and with a courage which is gained by habit and not enforced by law, are we not greatly the gainers?

"We are lovers of the beautiful, yet simple in our tastes; and we cultivate the mind without loss of manliness. Wealth we employ, not for talk and ostentation, but when there is a real use for it. To avow poverty with us is no disgrace; the true disgrace is in doing nothing to avoid it. An Athenian citizen does not neglect the state because he takes care of his own household; and even those of us who are engaged in business have a very fair idea of politics. We alone regard a man who takes no interest in public affairs, not as a harmless, but as a useless character. . . .

"In the hour of trial Athens alone is superior to the report of her. No enemy who comes against her is indignant at the reverses which he sustains at the hands of such a city; no subject complains that his masters are unworthy of him. And we shall assuredly not be without witnesses. There are mighty monuments of our power which will make us the wonder of this and of succeeding ages. . . . For we have compelled every land and every sea to open a path for our valor, and have everywhere planted eternal memorials of our friendship and of our enmity. . . .

"To sum up: I say that *Athens is the school of Hellas,* and that the individual Athenian in his own person seems to have the power of adapting himself to the most varied forms of action with the utmost versatility and grace: . . .

"I would have you day by day fix your eyes upon the greatness of Athens, until you become filled with the love of her; and when you are impressed by the spectacle of her glory, reflect that this empire has been acquired *by men who knew their duty and had the courage to do it, and who in the hour of conflict had the fear of dishonor always present to them. . . ."*

World's Fare

SOME 58,000 Chrysler workers went on strike for 54 days, and got a three-cent hourly wage raise. More than 16,000 Briggs Body workers stayed on the job and likewise got a three-cent hourly wage raise. Moral: Join the C.I.O. and strike for raise!

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What could be more fitting, since the signing of the Stalin-Hitler pact, than to toss Earl Browder in as Fritz Kuhn's cellmate? Maybe they could collaborate on a literary effort to be known as *"Meinsky Kampovitch."*

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"Of all sad words of tongue or pen," to the *American Reds. "Saddest are these: it might have been" Germany that invaded Finland instead of Russia.*

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Those loud wails you hear across the border these nights come from the Canadian industrialists who expected British war orders amounting to $50-million a month, and who—to date—have gotten about 1/50th of that amount.

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To be called a "Communist" used to be a badge of martyrdom to the left wing. Now it's grounds for a fight. Jerome Davis, former Yale University professor, has instituted suit for $200,000 against Curtiss Publishing Co. for referring to him as such.

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Mr. Melvyn Douglas, the movie fellow, is talented. In Washington recently he gave his opinion on the Dies Committee, the New Deal, Mrs. Roosevelt, migratory workers in California, politics — everything, in fact, except movies about which he is supposed to know something.

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Those saddened by the "persecution" of Mr. Earl Browder for alleged passport-faking, may now shed crocodile tears for his colleague, Communist Party Treasurer Robert Wiener, indicted on a similar charge. If the cases ever get to the Supreme Court, Americans might someday read something like this: "Frankfurter Dissents on Wiener."

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The New York world's fair corporation, so they tell us, will be forced to defend itself in no fewer than 117 lawsuits brought by concessionaires. The "song is over," but the "smellody" lingers on.

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Army activities note: The *"Agitator's Companion,"* Russian Communist magazine, calls upon American workers to fulfill their "historic task now." In other words, time is ripe for Mr. Browder's revolution.

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The United States Treasury has threatened to invoke a World War law to prevent British interference with American shipping through application of cargo passports, or *"navicerts."* In other words, "nertz, nertz on the navicerts!"

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Russian freedom note: Bela Kun's companion, Geza Weinberger, mounted a pulpit in the Soviet-conquered Polish territory and shouted, "those who go to church will be killed!",

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Apparently a question bothering Republicans, as the 1940 elections approach, is: "Dewey, or don't we?"

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Congress passed two bills in its recent special session; one repealed the embargo, the other appropriated $235,000 to pay Congress for its trouble in repealing it.

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The war by months: September: "Where's the *Bremen?"* October: "Where's the *City of Flint?"* November: "Where's the *Deutschland?"* December: "Where's the war?"

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New Deal "farm relief": Passing a processing tax for farm relief; permitting the processors to deduct the tax from the farmers at the market.

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FROM THE TOWER

Readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE are already familiar with the bright bits of philosophy and comment which have appeared from time to time in "Dinner Chats" from the pen of Canon Arthur Jackman, pastor of Holy Rood parish, Watford, Herts, England. We are privileged to present, with his permission, these further quotations from his lively little parish bulletin, Holy Roodlets.

The New and the True

By Canon Arthur Jackman

Peace to You

ONE OF THE FINEST and most eloquent appeals for peace was recently broadcast by the Duke of Windsor, but the British Broadcasting Company refused to relay it and the press tucked it away in little corners of its columns. Why?

Evidently because there is a powerful clique in England that is not interested in peace, and as it holds most of the sources of information in its grip, neither press nor radio, in this country of freedom and of free expression of opinion, was allowed to advertise the Duke.

A pretty position to be in! Here is a whole country that sees no reason why it should have war; but a few thousand speculators, whose spleens are spoiling for a fight or whose pockets need replenishing, will monopolize press and radio to drive a country into a war that will only profit themselves.

Is this Democracy? Then the sooner it is *liquidated,* the better!

Why You May Attack Catholics But Not Jews

ENGLAND IS AN aristocratic country, and in aristocratic countries the judiciary is part of the executive. A judge or magistrate with us sends a citizen to prison if he thinks it to the advantage of the State. In this connection I think the idea has been that feeling against Jews is growing, and that as there has been an alliance between England and the Jewish money power for now many generations, people must be sent to prison in order to "stop the rot." Everybody in this country *is afraid of Jews, but no one is afraid of Catholics.* But the true parallel would not be with Catholics but with Irishmen. You may say anything you like about the Irish and you will be in no danger at all. In both cases the attack is made on the race, not on a religion, but in both cases religion adds to the vigor of the attack.

Freedom of the Press

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS is invariably understood as freedom from Government interference, but what about freedom from finance interference? This variety is never mentioned. Because the press cannot do without the money of financiers, advertisers and combines, it swallows them wholesale and strains at the Government gnat. The only free press is the impecunious press, for it alone can tell the truth and let the devil take the hindmost. As St. Jerome used to say: "If the truth hurts you, tell it and damn the consequences."

There are other varieties of press interference, the pornographic mania being one of them, possibly the worst.

As to the Government oppressive measures to curtail the liberties of the citizen, not half a dozen men in England know how far they extend, for England is not ruled by law, but governed by rules and regulations. All lawyers and judges object to the way that laws are made nowadays by these Rules and Regulations written by various Ministers of Health, Finance or something or other, and not by the actual Act of Parliament, and that is why the ordinary public does not get to know what he can do or cannot do. We are ruled, not by Parliament, but by a sinister bureaucracy "beyond the law," and we call ourselves free!

War Starvation

THE GOVERNMENT is of opinion that it has only to lay in a few stores of wheat, salmon tins and preserved beans . . . to make England quite safe against blockade starvation. The truth is that our moneylenders have so much capital abroad, that they want their interest in the shape of imported food. If that kills the British farmer, so much the worse for the British farmer; if that starves the British population in war time, so much the worse for the British population. The big press cannot say these things, for it would lose its advertisers. Little parish rags are probably the only free press left in this land.

Snoring

OBSTREPEROUS snoring was recently advanced as a ground for divorce. A monk was once expelled from his order for the same reason: he was found guilty, after endless relapses and with no hope of amendment, of sleeping at the midnight office. But even this would have been passed over had not his particular snore been so aggressive that it awoke his brother monks!

Bowing to the Empty Throne

IN THE EMPEROR'S absence, Indian princes bow before the empty imperial throne; and many an Englishman, without knowing it, bows before an empty Catholic shrine. In Parliament the Speaker bows at the beginning of the day, members of the Royal Household, bearing a message from His Majesty, bow as they enter the Chamber; members of the Commons bow as they proceed to the Bar, on entering the House of Lords: all historical relics of Catholic days, when the House met in a chapel, where the Blessed Sacrament was reserved.

Canons of Winchester Cathedral are required by the Statutes of Charles I to make a reverence before the altar, when they pass it—the empty throne where was once the Blessed Sacrament. The scholars of Winchester College raise their hats as they enter the Chamber Court, in reverence to the statue that was placed overhead in Catholic days. And if you board any of His Majesty's ships, you are expected to salute the quarterdeck, because a crucifix was always displayed on the after-castle, and Mass used to be said on the high after-castle or poop, which was the forerunner of the quarterdeck. This is how Protestant England cannot forget her Catholic ancestry.

Conscription

WHAT IS ALL THIS fuss about conscription and other old-fashioned methods of preparing for war, when we all know that the Spanish civil war has revolutionized war strategy and tactics? For three years the British press has impressed on us the fact that General Franco never hit but useless objectives, such as women, children, stray dogs and Y.W.C.A. buildings, whereas the Communists invariably hit military objectives, ammunition dumps and barracks. They had only to fly over a Nationalist man of war, release a bomb and it dropped into the funnel. And that is how General Franco won every battle, and the Communists lost them. The British press therefore holds a valuable secret, which we deem neither fair nor patriotic to withhold from Mr. Hore-Belisha. It would save the country millions of pounds, if he only knew it and the British press refuses to tell him. Very mean, to say the least.

B. C.: Birth Control or Modern Moloch

"IN HIS *'Everlasting Man,'* G. K. Chesterton shows how like our modern civilization was that of the Carthagenians just before their destruction. They even had in the worship of Moloch, what corresponds to Birth Control and Abortion in our civilization. 'They were members of a mature and polished civilization, abounding in refinements and luxuries . . . These civilized people really met together to invoke the blessing of Heaven on their empire by throwing hundreds of their infants into a large furnace'."

Birth Control

"THE VICAR-GENERAL of Agram, Dr. F. Salis, has ordered a census of all childless Catholic families, to serve as a basis for an inquiry into the depopulation problem among Catholics. On this subject the Bishop of Banat, in Temesvar, Jugoslavia, Dr. Augustine Pacha, has issued a very outspoken pastoral, in which he writes: 'Parents, my complaint is addressed to you. You do not love your children. Your streets are empty. In one place after another the school must be pulled down because there are no children to fill it. Your fields are lying fallow, because man and wife cannot do the work alone, and you have no children to help you. Your villages are deserted. The evil is growing every year. The fifth commandment says: Thou shalt not kill. But suppressing embryonic life is killing and murder. This is why I appeal to you. Parents, love your children! Mother, you owe your motherly love to every child you carry under your heart, and to all the children which God's love sends to you. I call my own mother from eternity to address you. Listen, mother, these women tell me that the great blessing of children spoils their health, that child-bearing women grow old and ugly early and that they must die young. Mother, you have brought thirteen children into this world, fed and reared them all on your motherly breast. All your life you have been strong, vigorous and healthy. You stood on the threshold of your hundredth year, when the Lord called you to Himself. I am telling them that my mother was to my eyes the finest woman the world has ever known . . .'." (*The Tablet*)

Highlights of the Broadcast

Excerpts from Father Coughlin's Broadcast of Sunday, December 10. Complete copies of the broadcast may be obtained by writing directly to Fr. Coughlin, Royal Oak, Mich.

I BELIEVE that the majority of citizens share the opinion that recovery is impossible under the old order which existed before 1933. Moreover, I believe that, while we have not solved our problem, the majority of citizens are not ready to admit that our quest is impossible despite its seemingly imponderable obstacles. ***We can solve our national problem.***

America must get back to work; for production is our first essential in solving the problem of want in the midst of plenty. But the mere getting back to work is not the key to the whole problem.

Private property, under this republican form of government, which bestows the right to vote upon all the people, rich and poor alike, can be protected only by multiplying private property through the process of distributing equitably an adequate national income obtained through profitable production—distributing it in such a manner so that the propertyless wage-earners can obtain a sufficiency capable of sustaining themselves and their families in frugal comfort, with something left over to buy the products of the fields and factories.

Our problem is not one of being able to produce so much as it is one of discovering means to distribute. Many economists bolt at the proposition of increasing our national income through any medium outside production.

On the other hand, if this continued less-than-living wage policy with its consequent unemployment obtain for another few years; if this abnormality of perpetuating the dole system with its ever mounting taxation becomes a practiced policy instead of an emergency, the theories of the economists and their solicitous concern for the purchasing power of bonds and insurance policies will be completely liquidated by the ever-increasing number of "have-nots," who, I repeat, eventually will rise to power under this republican form of government on a platform of nationalization of industry and of cancellation of bonds.

As for the industrialists, I find that many of them are just as anxious to pay a living, annual, profitable wage to labor as are laborers themselves anxious to receive it. The industrialist is content only when his factory is operating profitably.

As far as laborers are concerned, the majority of them, so I believe, are not collectivist-minded. Unfortunately, few of them understand the relation between a generous national income and a satisfactory wage or the relation between an insufficient national income and an insufficient wage.

It is my prayer that Congress will blue-print necessary public works—the electrification of our highways, the clearance of our slums, the obsoleting of our level railroad crossings. Let private contractors, instead of Government contractors, be engaged to execute these public works. Let Congress issue bonds, without coupons, if necessary, to pay for them. Let our national income be raised to $120-billion, if possible, so that the debts already existing will not be repudiated and that the wealth to be created will not be obstructed by more debts.

Certainly, every person is interested in balancing the financial budget. ***But that interest pales into insignificance when compared to balancing the human budget.***

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You Did Not Read This

India Revolts Against Financial Imperialism

Bombay Repudiates English Rupee, Turns to Silver as Monetary Medium

INDIA TODAY is in the throes of a revolution. The American press is silent on the subject, but the truth is, that India is in revolt.

By population India represents slightly over 75 per cent of the British Empire. Her enslavement has covered two and one-half centuries, from the reign of James 1, in 1612, to 1857.

The spirit of nationalism survived in our own generation. The principles of non-co-operation, non-participation, economic boycott and resort to physical force were but part and parcel in her struggle for freedom.

Now a new day has dawned in India. India has cut herself away from the *rupee* of England, which is the British coin, and made silver the only medium of exchange.

London Refuses to Fill Orders

On December 2, silver rose 8c an ounce in the Bombay market. In India, today, silver is approximately 57c an ounce, while on the world market—if there be a world market—silver is 35c an ounce. That is the price that the Honorable Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, offers to pay for silver, as he continues his attempt to discredit it throughout the world.

India in the last few days sent a buying order to London for 10-million ounces of silver, and London *refused to fill the order.*

There are tremendous implications in the present situation. Prior to March 4, 1933, silver, in the demoralized markets of the world, reached a historic low of approximately 25c an ounce. This meant to America that the silver nations were operating on such depreciated currencies that they could not buy American goods without paying insurmountable penalties.

Conversely, it meant that America could buy the goods of these silver nations so cheaply that tariff walls could be flaunted and American agriculture and American labor victimized.

On May 22, 1934, President Roosevelt sent his famous silver message to the Congress of the United States. He recommended the broadening of the metallic base of our monetary system. He recommended the use of silver in improving that monetary system. He definitely recommended the acquisition of silver by the Treasury of the United States with the object that one-quarter of our metallic stocks be silver and three-quarters, gold

U.S. Gold Purchasing Discredited Silver

On June 19, 1934, the President signed the *Silver Purchase Act*, which provided that the Treasury should acquire silver until either our silver stocks totaled one-quarter of our entire monetary stocks, or until the price of silver reached $1.29 an ounce.

When the President wrote his message to Congress, silver was approximately 47c an ounce. Today, it is 35c an ounce. Silver is discredited because of the American Treasury's failure to carry out the plain objectives of the *Silver Purchase Act.* When the Treasury started to accumulate silver, it also started to accumulate gold. It accumulated gold so fast and silver so slowly that the announced purposes of the legislation recommended to Congress by the President were perverted and nullified by the Treasury.

With silver 57c in the Bombay market and 35c in the Treasury, the measure of the perfidy is available. The great silver nations would again become the markets for our surplus commodities had we kept faith and given them the vast purchasing power promised by the monetization of the white metal.

The attempt of the old gold bloc nations to impose their financial systems upon the world is now met by revolt in India, as she repudiates the *rupee* and turns to historic silver as her sole medium of exchange.

In the World War, silver was selling as high as $1.39 an ounce. England begged us for 500-million ounces at a dollar an ounce. We sold them to her as one of those little personal favors. Today, England and the United States jointly discredit silver, but India representing three-quarters of the population of the British Empire initiates her financial revolt from imperialism.

Causes of Modern Wars

By LOUIS B. WARD

Mr. Ward, whose contributions to this National Magazine have long been familiar to our readers, recently testified before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on "Five Causes of Modern Wars." His present series of articles in SOCIAL JUSTICE will discuss briefly these causes.

CAUSE I

Exaggerated Nationalism

I COME before you to make five short points on the subject of your deliberations, namely, neutrality, peace legislation and our foreign policy. To those members of the committee who have good will, who truly wish in their hearts to eradicate war, they will, of course, realize that first we must know the causes of modern war. I name these causes as five:

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(1) Exaggerated Nationalism;
(2) Economic Imperialism;
(3) Militarism;
(4) The Secret Treaty;
(5) Propaganda.

The humblest student of the philosophy of history will realize that between the individual and humanity there lies the fundamental fact of nationality.

Long before the dawn of history, mythological characters determined a natural, national spirit in an Egypt, a Babylonia, a kingdom of the Medes, among the Persians, in Greece and in Rome. A handful of names come down from the Hebrews, and yet from the inspired genius of ancient days there was transmitted through the medium of the nation the priceless heritage of *Leviticus*, *Deuteronomy* and the other Books.

Only 50,000 freemen dwelt in Athens—the equivalent of a modern, municipal ward—and yet through the spirit of nationality there came down to us, through few names, the priceless heritage of Grecian grandeur.

With perhaps a hundred thousand freemen in Rome, and a handful of names in recorded history, there come down through the centuries the institutions that dominated a civilized world, Ireland excepted. The glory that was greece and the grandeur that was Rome have been transmitted through the fact of nationality

My point is that from the mythological heroes down to the statesmen of modern Europe, the vehicle of transmission of the gifts of civilization has been the nation

In more modern days, empires have been stopped cold in their historic tracks when they sought to violate the principle of nationality and transmit any good or permanent gift by way of empire. Take, for example, Britain, with her offspring the thirteen American Colonies. The genius of these American colonies would no more be transmitted by the vehicle of British imperialism than could any divine gift be transmitted by a diabolical medium of enslavement.

The genius of Colonial America, with its Sam Adams and Patrick Henry, its Washington and John Dickinson, its Gouverneur Morris and its Alexander Hamilton, its James Otis, its Gerry, its Randolph, would strangle for want of breath if it attempted to express itself in the imperialistic idiom. The very spirit of freedom of the newborn or embryonic Republic needed nationality for its expression.

The point I want to impress upon the committee is this, that nationality is a God-given gift.

The second point with which I want to impress the committee is that an *exaggerated nationality is always a cause of war*

Our freedom came in 1781. By 1848, we expressed this exaggerated nationality, after a short 65 years of freedom.

President Polk issued his *Doctrine of Manifest Destiny.* The young nation looked with longing eyes upon the rich lands of the southwest, and Polk wrote a diabolical doctrine when he pointed out the superiority of young America as against the inferiority of a peaceful people that lived to the southwest of the Republic. Virtually, he taught the nation that eventually we would grow and would absorb these inferior beings of Spanish blood, and if so eventually, why not now?

So we had our first war which grew out of the spirit of exaggerated nationality. It was the third war that we had fought. I need but call this principle to the attention of this distinguished Committee on Foreign Relations and ask you to develop it

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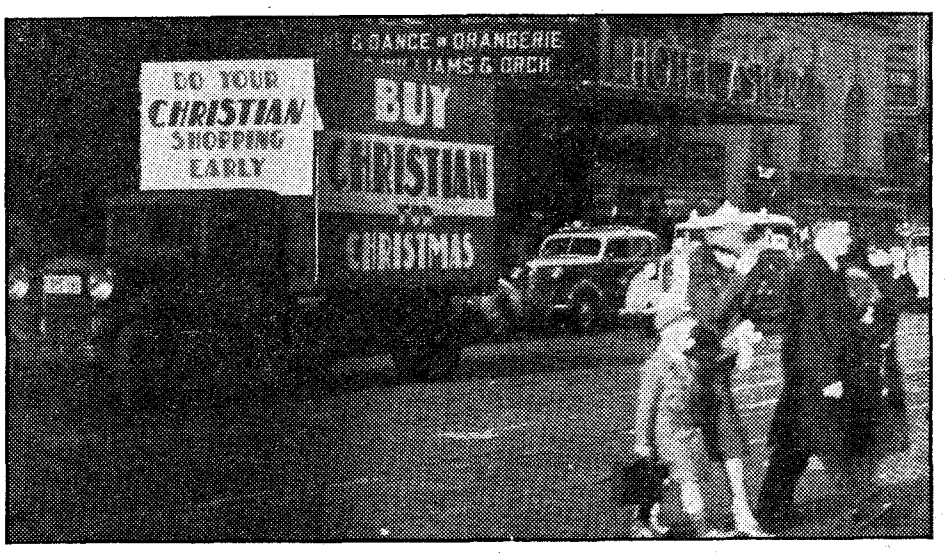

This Truck Owner To Lose His License

NEW YORK—A truck owned by the McVeigh Trucking Co., 208 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, recently appeared in the Boroughs of Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens and the Bronx in the city of New York, equipped with large billboards on each side reading: *"Buy Christian for Christmas"* in large red, white and blue colors. Another sign on the front of the truck reads: *"Do Your Christian Shopping Early"*

The truck's signs, calling upon the public to preserve Christianity in Christmas, have been ruled to be "an incitement to riot," and the owner and driver of the truck served with official notice that his conveyance with its offensive signs may not appear on the streets of New York City. All precincts of the New York Police Department have been notified to pick up the truck, driver and owner if this truck is again driven into New York.

New York Commissioner of Licenses Moss summoned the owner and driver of the truck to appear before him and show cause why the Commission should not revoke the trucker's public cart license. The following exchange is reported to have taken place in the Commissioner's office:

Moss: Hello McVeigh! Friend, or foe?
McVeigh: I try to be friends with everybody
Moss: Did you show the summons to anyone?
McVeigh: Only to my immediate family.
Moss: Did your family tell anyone?
McVeigh: I cannot account for them.
Moss: What do the signs on your truck say?
McVeigh: *"Buy Christian for Christmas"* and *"Do Your Christian Shopping Early."*
Moss: What is the idea of your signs?
McVeigh: To arouse a Christian sentiment, because Christmas is a Christian holiday; postcards and presents should express a Christian idea.
Moss: I am going to take your carting license away from you.
McVeigh: Why?
Moss: Your truck is licensed by this Department and it casts a reflection on the Department.
McVeigh: I cannot see why, because when I carry signs, I am not working as a public cartman.
Moss: I am going to take your license away.
McVeigh: Why?
Moss: There is a tendency to incite a riot; people may throw things at you and you may throw things at people.
McVeigh: I don't throw things at anybody.
Moss: I can and will take your license away from you.
McVeigh: Why?
Moss: The newspapers are full of trouble and your signs may cause more trouble.
McVeigh: If there were more Christian sentiment, there would be less trouble.
Moss: No man can take the troubles of the world on his own shoulders.

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Stabilization Fund Is Still a Mystery

Who Wrote Law, or Why, Even President and U.S. Treasury Dept. Did Not Know

SOCIAL JUSTICE believes that the American people are entitled to know more about the origin and operations of the so-called Stabilization Fund. We will attempt to outline in simple and understandable language, the origin and history of this "secret" fund, which is operating against the American people and in the interests of a few international bankers.

THE STABILIZATION FUND was established by Congress in 1933, under Title 2 of the *Agricultural Adjustment Act,* whereby the President of the United States was given the power to cheapen the American dollar. Under the *Gold Revaluation Act,* the President on January 31, 1934, in a proclamation stated:

"Whereas I find upon investigation that the foreign commerce of the United States is adversely affected by reason of the depreciation in the value of the currencies of other governments, and

"Whereas I find from my investigation that in order to stabilize domestic prices and to protect the foreign commerce against the adverse effects of depreciated foreign currencies, it is necessary to fix the weight of the gold dollar at 15-5/21 grains, nine-tenths fine."

The revaluation of our Treasury gold holdings from $20.67 an ounce to $35 an ounce created a paper profit to the United States Treasury of some $2,792,859,126. Out of this sum, Congress set aside $2-billion to be used as a Stabilization Fund as provided in the *Gold Reserve Act,* to be managed by the Secretary of the Treasury.

Act Was What the 'Experts' Wanted

The book, *"Money Creators,"* by Miss Gertrude Coogan, discloses the secretive origin of the law. The author says:

"The Chief Executive was very careful when signing this bill, to make it clear to those standing around, including the newspaper reporters, that he had nothing to do with writing it, and had not read it before signing; that he was taking it on faith from the Secretary of the Treasury. The Secretary of the Treasury, in turn, also stated that he had not read it, but that it was what the 'experts' wanted.

"Well may we wonder why the Chief Executive and his Cabineteer, the Secretary of the Treasury, have not been willing to tell who wrote this bill. Of course, it could be that a bill of this nature could have originated in New York, because it so favors the money creators there who have, since its passage, been taking advantage of its generous provisions for dealers in foreign currencies; but that would be a violation of the Chief Executive's promise 'to drive the money changers from the temple.'

"If the President learned, for instance, that the *Gold Bill* of January 31, 1934, was written by a man who had become rich on advice and arbitrage—fractional point scalping of international money transfers, the intricacies of which only the money creators are familiar with—it should be reasonable to suppose that the President would be fired to intense ire

Congress and People Equally in Ignorance

"And if it were announced to the patient and trusting American people that the *Gold Bill of 1934* was written by a money changer and that the preparation of it took place at this man's office in Wall Street, it is reasonable to suppose that the patient American people would begin to get an insight into the money creators' skullduggery They would certainly demand a real investigation, as well as an explanation as to why the most important pieces of legislation were jammed through Congress without reading or debate; *signed by the President in ignorance of what the bills contained, and advised by the Secretary of the Treasury who acknowledged similar ignorance of the contents."*

Neither Congress nor the people are permitted to know anything about the operations of this fund, except for a formal report submitted twice a year—after the transactions are over. Even the President of the United States is not empowered by law to exercise any control or influence! He does rate, however, annual audits—only after great harm to the American people may have been done.

The very generous clauses in the act creating the Stabilization Fund indict it as a most pernicious piece of legislation that should not be permitted to continue. It is a misnomer to call it a "Stabilization" Fund. Rather, it "legalized" the disappearance of $2-billion in gold, while the poor American people who happened to have a few gold coins in their possession were threatened and deceived into believing that the country's gold had been "nationalized."

Treasury Secretary Given Charge of Gold

The people were told that the American Government actually took control of the gold away from the privately-owned Federal Reserve Banks and placed it in the sole possession and control of the Treasury of the United States. But this was not done. To illustrate:

Under the provision of *Section 3,* the bill says:

"The Secretary of the Treasury shall, by regulations issued hereunder, with the approval of the President, prescribe the conditions under which gold may be acquired and held, transported, melted or treated, imported, exported or ear-marked. . . . (b) by the Federal Reserve Banks for the purpose of settling international balances; and, (c) for such other purposes as in his judgment are not inconsistent with the purposes of this Act."

Further, under *Section 5,* the bill states:

"All gold coin of the United States shall be withdrawn from circulation, and, together with all other gold owned by the United States, shall be formed into bars of such weights and degrees of fineness as the Secretary of the Treasury may direct."

Under *Section 3,* the Secretary of the Treasury was made a financial czar over the gold in the country, but under *Clause B,* the privately-owned Federal Reserve Banks were exempt, and under *Clause C,* a very generous clause, he can use this gold for all "such other purposes as are not inconsistent with the purposes of this act."

Why should there not be a limit to such discretionary power, and who

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We Keep Our Promises; Here's That Smear Again! —If You Can Stand It

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Weeshore Kiddem, America's Ace Reporter, has been assigned to bring you the full, unabridged, uncensored version of the snooping adventures of Comrade Sneekback.

Last week Weeshore kidded you with the preliminary details of Sneekback's assignment: to smear Father Coughlin and thereby save *New Masses* from a fate worse than death.

This week we bring you Weeshore Kiddem's story of Sneekback's arrival at Royal Oak. All this information, complete with documents, is being turned over to Comic Strips, Inc., to prosecute as they see fit. Now go on with the story . . .)

By WEESHORE KIDDEM

DICTATOR JOE STALIN wriggled his hairy ears, spat disgustedly out a window of the Kremlin, bellowed for the Peoples' Commissar for Organized Murder.

"Wipe the blood off your hands, Ivanitchsky, and mass your forces along the Finnish border!" The dictator screamed like a wounded wolf: "Finland's 4-million citizens are menacing and mistreating Russia's 175-million Communists. Prepare for an invasion — and I'm not saying by whom . . ."

About the same time in America Comrade Snoop N. Sneekback, *(Communist Party Card No. 34-098-2X)* was dropping off a slow freight in a dusty Detroit terminal. He was about to begin his smear-Coughlin-or-else assignment for *New Masses* in an effort to save that angelic organ from a fate worse than death. (See documentary evidence.)

Sneekback—U.S.S.R. social security card No. 2x4: salary—15 rubles weekly, when the check arrives from Moscow—unwrapped a greasy hamburger from a newspaper handed him by a "fellow traveler" in Scranton; clamped his jaws on the meat-filled bun. Slowly and thoughtfully he munched as he read. *"Stalin Covets Finn Nickel Deposits,"* the paper whispered.

So What? A Fin's a Fin, Ain't It?

"Ahh, nickels—mebbe even a fin—if I do this job well." Sneekback spoke reassuringly to himself.

Wolfing half his sandwich and filing the rest in his coat pocket, Sneekback yawned, stretched, walked to the Detroit postoffice, general delivery window.

"Anything for Comrade Snoop N. Sneekback?" The dauntless, detective-reporter assumed a jaunty air.

"Yah—here's a bundle of stuff we just fumigated," the clerk replied, holding his nose. "Take 'em quick, and get out of here."

Sneekback grabbed the bundle, ran for the exit. The first missive was a penny postal from Editor Northski. The rest were unpaid bills, forwarded from the room above the fish market.

"Get that smear rolling quick," Northski's note commanded in a terse epic of the class struggle, "and remember we split the first $35 in subscriptions. All over that goes to the Save-Russia-From-the-Menacing-Finns' Defense fund. Now get the dopesky, you Tass toad. Regardsovitch, Northski."

Sneekback nipped another fringe of hamburg, told himself "orders is ordersky," and flipped open his black notebook. He confronted himself with a memo written under a box car It read: "Overheard a pullman porter name of George telling a bootblack that a jute mill worker saw a W.P.A. district head who had been talking with a ward-heeler who eavesdropped on a foundryman telling an intoxicated circus roustabout that he read where Father Coughlin had a pack of wild dogs and didn't pay his help."

"That's my lead," Sneekback told himself with finality. "I'll get an interview."

Make News, Even If You Have to Bite One!

Long a class-conscious journalist, Sneekback nonetheless remembered Charles A Dana's admonition to reporters for the capitalistic press: "If a dog bites a man, that's not news. If a man bites a dog, that *is* news." The fearless detective-reporter resolved on the spot to bite one or more of Father Coughlin's dogs, and thereby make a sensation.

Rides to Royal Oak were scarce that sunny, Indian summer day But fortune finally smiled on Sneekback and his thumb A grizzled farmer, trucking a load of goats, drew to the side of the road and motioned Sneekback in

"Sniff-sniff—goats have a peculiar odor, haven't they," Sneekback ventured

"Yep, but by golly, son, they got a keen sense of smell themselves," the ruralist replied At that moment he chanced to look backward One-by-one the bleating goats were leaping over the stakes and racing madly down Woodward avenue

"I'm afraid I can't take you, son," the farmer said apologetically, "the goats don't like your company."

Sneekback reached Royal Oak—on foot. He went to the postoffice, but left hurriedly when he saw his picture on the wall Hurrying over to the police station, Sneekback approached the desk sergeant

"I'm Sneekback of *New Masses,* where's Father Coughlin to?"

"He's at the rectory, and you can look it up in the directory Now beat it! I got a swell vagrancy charge—just your size." The policeman held his nose and opened the door

Sneekback walked to the rectory and joined a group of Japanese spies taking pictures across the street. Across the way, Pal, Father Coughlin's Great Dane, watched unconcernedly. Sneekback pulled a box camera out from inside his shirt. "One picture is worth a thousand words," he reminded himself, "and one thousand words in *New Masses* is worth three bucks. I'll make myself a week's expenses." With that Sneekback snapped the rectory. Pal bounded across the street and snapped Sneekback.

"You're Pal!" Sneekback stood aghast.

"Woof, woof!"

"Where are the rest of the mad dogs?"

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We want them to know that Coughlin is not representative of his church and of his clerical office.

This job takes money.

Last week we raised $1,295.95 in our emergency fund drive. To date we have received a total of $3,576.26 towards our goal of $7,000.

Our warm appreciation to those hundreds of readers who have come to NEW MASSES' rescue in this period of critical financial emergency.

Weeshore Kiddem, America's Ace Reporter, is kinda good, too At the personal risk of 15 cents he determined to get this evidence but the sacrifice was not necessary. A disgusted purchaser had just discarded a copy of New Masses, with an ejaculation which we regret cannot be printed in a family magazine like ours

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The Voice of Congress

Either from the *Congressional Record*, or communications directly to SOCIAL JUSTICE, these expressions of your Congressmen and United States Senators are given such deservedly wider distribution which publication in our columns will admit.

—EDITOR.

Let's Clean Out Evil Seed Beds!

By HON. WILLIAM LEMKE

Representative from N. Dakota

ANY INTELLIGENT person knows that a farmer can no more continue in business by selling the things we eat, drink and wear for less than it costs him to produce them than a businessman can stay in business and sell goods for less than he pays for them. If they do they will both become insolvent.

The 12-million unemployed, and the one farmer out of every five who lost his farm, are more dangerous to our democracy than the combined armies of Hitler, Mussolini and Stalin.

We are greatly excited over communistic and un-American activities. Why should we want to destroy the Communists? We make them. We prepare the soil in which they grow. We prepare the seed bed of rags, filth, hunger, want and all-around poverty and misery.

This is the soil in which un-Americanism thrives. We attack the effect and forget all about the cause.

Let us clean up these seed beds and grow good Americans.

Real Patriots Called Names

By HON. J. THORKELSON

Representative from Montana

THERE IS A particular group of people at large today that are more or less in line with and support the subversive movement now going on in the United States—and when any person adheres to facts and deals with fundamental principles of this Government, and when he supports those principles that were handed down to us by the founding fathers of this Republic, or when he opposes the powers that are now constantly and insidiously destroying this Republic, he is then called a "Nazi" by the Communists, he is called an "anti-Semite" by the Communists, and he is called a "Fascist" by the Communists. That is a shield that the Communists use. Many of them do not know what "Nazi" means.

Amend the Law, Then Enforce It

By HON. CLARE E. HOFFMAN

Representative from Michigan

THE CHRYSLER strike, which lasted fifty-four days, costing Chrysler workers more than $25-million, not to mention the loss to distributors, dealers, service-men and those dependent upon Chrysler operations, has been ended but that is not the end of strikes.

The Chrysler strike was undoubtedly brought about because some communistic-minded labor leaders and organizers thought they might put into effect their plan to control production in the Chrysler plants.

You may recall that some years ago Browder, a former Communist candidate for President of the United States, who is now under indictment for using passports obtained by fraud, said, "We industrial unionists are going to take over the industries some day for three very good reasons: (1) Because we need them; (2) Because we want them; (3) Because we have the power to get them." That is what the C.I.O. tried to do to General Motors, to Chrysler.

The Wagner law, which was passed to enable employes to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing, has been misinterpreted and administered by a biased and a prejudiced board. This charge, originally made by employers and disinterested citizens, is now admitted and repeated by the A. F. of L. and by John L. Lewis and his C.I.O executive board. Common sense then would indicate that one of the first duties of the Congress when it meets in January would be to repeal this Act and in its place put on the books a law which would be fair and just to everyone.

A second remedy is the enforcement of the law. By this is not meant the shooting down of strikers or of lawbreakers or necessarily the calling out of State troops.

People Taxed for Propaganda

By HON. ROBERT F. RICH

Representative from Pennsylvania

THE THOUGHT that runs through my mind in voting for a majority of the appropriations that were voted last session—these enormous departmental bills—is that we have voted enormous amounts of money for the very purpose of propaganda. I might say New Deal propaganda.

In practically every departmental bill we have included $50,000, $100,000, $200,000, $300,000 for propaganda. That is true of practically every appropriation bill that we passed last year, and over $13-billion worth of the taxpayers' money was appropriated. Hundreds and hundreds of thousands of dollars of the taxpayers' money we gave to the various departments for the purpose of New Deal propaganda.

The man who voted for this propaganda was compelling the taxpayers to shell out in order to help whom? Why, to help the New Deal, because that is about all the propaganda is; and if you will listen to the radio, practically every day we find radio departmental programs; and if it is not propaganda for the New Deal, then I do not know what I am talking about.

The point I make is this: Is it better for someone to go out and ask the people to make a free-will offering toward something he thinks is right as propaganda or to soak the taxpayers and compel them to go into the matter of propaganda whether they want to or not; by compelling them to pay enormous taxes against their better judgment and surely against their will?

Let's Tax Profits From Last War!

By HON. JOHN E. RANKIN

Representative from Mississippi

I AM NOT only in favor of taxing the profits on this next war, but *I want to go back and tax the profits on the last war!* Then you will not have so much propaganda for us to get into the next war.

Youthful Crime a Home Problem

By HON. FRED L. CRAWFORD

Representative from Michigan

(Remarks taken from an editorial entitled "The Businessman Looks at Crime")

IT WOULD BE simple to say that the way to stop crime is to stop producing criminals, yet in saying that we strike at the very heart of the problem.

One only need to refer to the tabulation of uniform crime reports for the year 1938 to learn that 53 per cent of the arrests made during 1938 were of persons less than 30 years old, and that 18.8 per cent were less than 21 years of age.

Another sad slant on the youthfulness of the annual criminal round-up are the figures showing that during the last year in crimes against property—robbery, burglary, larceny, auto theft, etc.—the toll was 31.5 per cent of youngsters under the age of 21. Likewise appalling are the figures showing that 12 per cent of our murderers, 24 per cent of our rapists and 28 per cent of our robbers are under 21.

It is in every sense a community problem and its phases of youthful delinquency can lead to any or every home in that community. The fact is, 30-million American homes hold the solution of the crime problem of the generation. Our insurance against crime tomorrow is the premium paid today in the form of proper examples set before our youth. In shrinking responsibility we may innocently become an accessory before a crime.

If it is good business to encourage home beautification, fire prevention, and other types of campaigns, it is good business to promote a year-around campaign for the juveniles that will afford ample opportunities for exhaustion of the pent-up energy of youth in gainful, helpful, and healthful ways.

'Confidence' in Next Generation

By HON. CHARLES L. GIFFORD

Representative from Massachusetts

I SAID TO THE students of a large high school some time ago that we have wonderful confidence in the boys and girls of these days.

"You have wonderful schools and are having wonderful training. I can prove to you that the Congress of the United States has remarkable and full confidence in you, because we are piling up a debt of $50-billion, believing that you are to be willing and competent to pay it."

The Road Back Will Not Be Easy

By HON. STEPHEN BOLLES

Representative from Wisconsin

IT IS TIME that we return to freedom. The road back is beset with difficulty. No egg has ever been unscrambled. What needs to be done cannot be done in a few moments, a few weeks, many months, many years, and perhaps several decades.

When we contemplate the fact that our deficits reached $23-billion in 6 years and that we have spent all of the revenues amounting to even a greater sum, we may realize that we have spent in these years on a planned economy and in experiments for recovery $50-billion; it is time for us to pause and examine the shipwreck.

After a great storm at sea over many days, with mountainous waves that pound the ship, tear away its smokestacks and its deck boats, batter it almost into helplessness, the good captain heaves-to when he reaches a place of calm to take toll of the damage. We have been passing through such a storm for 6 years or more.

Senator King, of Utah, a leading member of the majority party, speaking at the close of the Senate session, declared, "The Government may not continue this spending policy without inviting disaster. The spendthrift, whether it be individual, corporation, or government, must ultimately face the day of reckoning. Loose fiscal policies have undermined and destroyed governments of the past. We should not pursue policies which must inevitably result in impairing the financial integrity of the Government."

Senator McCarran, of Nevada, in that same debate spoke of a personal interview with Trotzky, who had not then been exiled from Russia, in which the Soviet leader said that he predicted the day would come when bureaucracy would become so powerful in the United States that it would control the Government, influence its policies, and shape its legislation. The Senator pursued the subject by saying that there were more than a million Federal employes and that "bureaucracy has an insatiable appetite; it reaches out for more power and encroaches upon personal rights and liberties."

Let me quote to you also from the words of Edmund Burke, who was a great friend of the Colonies:

"The path to happiness for nations and men does not lie in sweeping innovations; always it lies in doing justice to the past, in welcoming what it has achieved as 'an entailed inheritance' and even in the hour of reform, in carrying it through in a spirit of gratitude and reverence toward existing institutions, which are not to be remade by the energies of a single generation of radical reformers, however ardent their passion for human happiness may be."

It is only by taking the road o freedom, going back to the principles which are fundamental in the American Government, destroying the bureaucratic domination and calling a halt upon flights into the stratosphere of expenditure that we may return to a confidence in the future.

All Main Streets Look Alike Now

By HON. JOHN MARTIN

Representative from Colorado

EVERY MAIN STREET in the country is becoming a mere link in a national chain hooked up to a handful of skyscrapers in a few big cities. The main streets in every town now look alike. The same familiar names on the signs. An independent manufacturer in my home city, employing several hundred men, said that the big fellows in his line have been trying to buy him out or break him for years.

We have the big three in the meat-packing industry; we have the big three in the automobile industry; we have the big four in the tire industry. Is there a monopoly in steel? If not, how does it come that 59 different steel companies made an identical bid, down to a cent, to the Navy?

Identical grades of oil are the same price at every filling station in the United States, and there is never any war. I have paid exactly the same price for the same grade of oil, wherever I bought it, for 25 years. There is no competition anywhere except for business.

Hearings before the Interstate Commerce Committee showed that the automobile dealers in the United States, the tire dealers, and the oil and gas dealers, are regimented; that they have no control over their business whatever. They simply operate under revocable licenses and are ruined by the thousands annually.

Exposed Radicals Still on Payroll!

By HON. NOAH M. MASON

Representative from Illinois

THE LABOR Department particularly, the Social Security Department particularly; yes, and the Wages and Hours Division, have many well-known Communists occupying key positions today, and you will hear more about that later. Let me give you an example.

Some two years ago there were about 15 or 16 radicals, most of whom are Communists, who were employed by the Department of Justice, the Attorney General's Department. This was two years ago. They were caught at subversive activities. They were fired, as they should have been, by the Attorney General's Department.

Get this: They *walked in a body up the street and secured employment the same day from the Social Security Department, and today they are on the payroll of the Social Security Department!*

Is it time we sat up and took notice of the slimy trail of Communism in schools, churches, labor ranks, and Federal departments?

Not Enough Money in Nation

By HON. LYNN J. FRAZIER

Senator from North Dakota

THE TROUBLE with our monetary system is that there is not a proper distribution of money so that people can buy the necessities of life. Thus we now have too much to eat and wear, and, at the same time, we have from 10- to 12-million persons without money to buy these products which they need. The Government is supposed to be run for the benefit of all of the people. The issuance of money is one of the Government's most important functions. Money is the lifeblood of trade. Without it, there can be families in actual want because the wage earner cannot get a job, and, at the same time, there may be bumper crops and an abundance of manufactured products throughout the nation.

The reason for this strange paradox is the turning over by the Government of the issuing and control of its money to the privately-owned Federal Reserve banking systems. Being privately owned, they are run for a profit and it behooves them to see that there is a scarcity of money in circulation because then there is more of a demand for it and they can collect higher rates of interest for it. Money is supposed to be a medium of exchange, but the bankers have turned it into a commodity in which they can deal and make a profit at the expense of the public who really own or should own the money in the first place.

The Government prints and coins our money. The only reason that it has any value is that the Government says that it has a certain value, and that the taxing power of the Government is back of it. Any piece of money is merely a promise to pay made by the Government. This money is put into circulation, however, not for the use of the public but for the use of the bankers.

Does the Government charge any interest on the money they hand over to the bankers? Not at all. The bankers pay for the actual cost of the paper and the printing. The average cost of paper money is approximately 30 cents per thousand dollars. The bankers then loan the people the Government money. And if the Government does not collect enough in taxes to pay running expenses, tax-exempt, interest-bearing bonds are issued and sold to these same bankers, who, on buying them, thus loan the Government some of the money which was turned over to them free. The banks, in turn, deposit the Government bonds as collateral and receive their par value in new Government money—with which to buy more Government bonds.

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Why Should Your Son Go Abroad to Fight?

European Sluggers Took American President 'to the Cleaners' in 14 Bloody Rounds

WARNING OF the dangers of foreign propaganda in America, Mr. S. H. Hauck, in a new book entitled *"The Scarlet Fingers"* (Flanders Hall Publishing Co.), shows how America's World War President was betrayed by the peace makers.

"One by one," says the author, "President Wilson's 'fourteen points' were ruthlessly rejected, even ridiculed, by the 'power delegates' — Clemenceau, Lloyd George and Orlando." The conference, he adds, might well have been compared to a heavyweight boxing bout in which the American President "faced the centuries of European hate, greed, and treachery" in the minds and hearts of the other delegates.

The author thus reports "the fight":

"In round one, Wilson requested *'no secret diplomacy.'* The underhanded ways of European diplomacy were surely not altered according to Wilson's desire.

"Wilson lost the first round.

President No Match for Power Sluggers

"In round two, the issue became *'freedom of the seas,'* and the English and French hurled their full strength against the American President.

"Wilson lost the second round.

"In round three, the theme sounded by Wilson was *'the removal of economic barriers.'* Yet within a very short time after the war, the old powers and the newly-created states entered into innumerable trade treaties, erected innumerable tariff walls.

"Wilson lost the third round.

"In round four, the utopian dream of *'national armament reduction,'* was voiced by the American delegation. Only the United States Government was sincere in its efforts. Of course, there also followed the greatest armament race the world has ever witnessed.

"Wilson lost the fourth round.

"In the fifth round, Wilson decided that there should be *'impartial adjustment of all colonial claims.'* Long before the end of the war—in fact, even before the first declarations of war — every European power had drawn up secret plans as to what colonies they would snatch from their enemies at the termination of hostilities.

"Wilson lost the fifth round.

Battered Victim Rallies to Claim 3 Rounds

"In the sixth round, *'evacuation of Russia,'* was the comparatively unimportant point, and because it was so, Wilson managed, after a fashion, to get approval.

"Wilson won the sixth round.

"In the seventh round, we come to the *'restoration of Belgium,'* a simple matter, for there were certainly no delegates opposing, although France wanted it incorporated for 'protective reasons.' Public opinion, however, had to be obeyed in this matter.

"Wilson won the seventh round.

"In the eighth round, we come to the *'return of Alsace-Lorraine to France.'* It was as much an Allied aim as an aim of President Wilson.

"Wilson won the eighth round.

"In the ninth round, Wilson presented a rather vague issue, *'the completion of Italian unity.'* Trent, Trieste, and Istria were ceded to the Italian Kingdom; but whether or not that constituted the 'completion' is controversial.

"No decision for the ninth round.

"The tenth, eleventh and twelfth rounds may be taken together, for they stressed the same issue, that of *'self-determination.'* The national groups taken into consideration were those of Austria-Hungary, the Balkans, and Turkey. The mere listing of the highly artificial states created by the treaty can reveal whether or not genuine 'self-determination' was achieved.

"Wilson lost all of those rounds.

It's 'in the Bag;' He's Hanging on the Ropes!

"The thirteenth round centered about the establishment of an independent Poland. However, the Allies' conception of what land was occupied by Poles and should be ruled by Poles was very much askew, with the result that Poland took in not only the Poles, but also large sections of land populated by Germans and by Ukrainians. Although Poland was established by the gentlemen at Versailles, it was not in accordance with the Wilson principle of *'autonomous development.'*

"Wilson did not win the thirteenth round.

"The final round and the one with which Americans found fault—in fact, the only one with which Americans found fault—was accepted by the European Allies. Because of the flagrant violations of the other thirteen points, the fourteenth was at the outset doomed to failure. It became the general opinion that the United States should not, by any means, *help guarantee a vicious and unjust peace.* And that was the reason why the Government of the United States, disillusioned and defeated at the notorious peace conference, wisely decided to have no farther connections with European power politics.

"With these accomplishments behind them, the Allied diplomats went home to declare to their various peoples: ***'Democracy has triumphed.'*** "

We Keep Our Promises

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"Grrr." The short hair on the Dane's neck stood like toothbrush bristles.

Sneekback dropped to his hands and knees, the better to interview Pal.

"Anything you say will be used against you," he warned.

"Grrr, woof, woof!"

"I'm taking that down as a statement."

"Grrrr!"

"Okay, you asked for it."

With that Sneekback lunged forward and snapped his jaws down hard on Pal's foreleg.

(Will Sneekback emerge alive? Will "New Masses" get its sensation? Ahh, you'd like to know, wouldn't you? Read the next instalment in Weeshore Kiddem's nerve-tearing wreckspose. Meanwhile send us a couple of hundred bucks, or we'll go out of business.)

Rothschild Trade Financing Would Evade Neutrality

LONDON, ENGLAND—A powerful British banking group, headed by N. M. Rothschild and Sons, has organized the *New Trading Company,* which will have the effect of replacing the financing of British imports by American banks. The latter are now prohibited from handling that type of business under the cash-and-carry provisions of the United States Neutrality Law.

This move is regarded by many as a brazen attempt to violate American law and circumvent by evasion the purposes of the Neutrality Act. This new banking group will have the power, when necessary, *to control exchange to pay for goods in the United States before shipment is made.* Its prime purpose is to finance American war materials for the Allies.

When Baron Louis Rothschild was released in Austria by the Nazis, he was required to pay a ransom of $20-million in gold. At the same time, the Austrian branch of the Rothschilds transferred $50-million in gold to American banks for safekeeping. It is now believed that this $50-million credit will be employed as working capital for the new bankers group.

It will be remembered that this same Baron Louis Rothschild was the president of the *Austrian Creditanstalt,* which collapsed in 1931, with the loss of $116-million to European investors. At the same time it was the dam-break that brought on the general world banking collapse of 1932 and 1933. Americans are justifiably disturbed that this same internationalist should now use their country for a base of operations to circumvent American laws.

The *Financial Times* of London announced the bare fact of the new British banking group and its purposes, but those who know the story of Baron Louis Rothschild raised their eyes in astonishment.

Another interesting sidelight is the fact that the House of Rothschild plans to re-coup the $20-million ransom paid to Hitler from American exports and many more millions from the American taxpayer.

Laws have so much power, but the international banker seems able to rise above them when needs be.

Stabilization

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but the Secretary of the Treasury shall decide what is inconsistent or not with the purposes of this act, inasmuch as he does not have to give any account of his actions except a post-audit to the President once every year and to the Congress not at all?

It was these trick clauses giving such wide power to the Secretary of the Treasury that explain why the bill was jammed through the Congress and why the fund has been operated secretly ever since. The Secretary of the Treasury can do just about what his "experts" want with this gold.

Who are the "experts," that advise how this fund is to be used? Why should unelected officials be handling the gold of the United States Government without any accounting to the American people? Why the need for such unholy secrecy if the matter was ever an honest transaction?

Let the Congress investigate and do away with secrecy. Secrecy is not an attribute of a so-called democracy; it is even less an earmark of a great Republic!

MONEY

The Root of All Evil

THE SUBJECT of money and its issuance is very simple. There is no good reason why the American people should not know where it comes from, or how a few control it. Although these few desire to keep its very simplicity a mysterious secret, SOCIAL JUSTICE is determined to inform our fellow-Americans.

It was Prof. Frederick Soddy who said: "The chief factors that oppose reform (of money) and progress and strive to keep things as they are, are by no means inertia and ignorance, but thoroughly well-informed individual self-interest."

The simple subject of money may be divided into the following classifications:

Wealth, Money, The Origin of Our Present Money, The Federal Reserve System, Debts, Prices, Taxation, Private Property, Modern Banking, The Genesis of American Banking.

In order to understand the subsequent chapters, it is necessary to have a clear understanding of wealth. Wealth consists of physical things used in sustaining and empowering life. There are various species of wealth, such as material wealth, intellectual and spiritual wealth, but at the present time, we are interested only in material wealth.

Wealth can be produced by man utilizing the natural resources which are God-given and are virtually unlimited. The development of science has enabled us to tap immense sources of energy, such as burning coal, wood and oil; the use of water power for electricity, minerals for construction, etc. In other words, wealth is not created out of nothing. It is a product of human activity expended upon the raw materials.

There are two principal kinds of wealth:

1. Consumer, or perishable goods, i.e., food when eaten; clothing when worn; or, fuel when burned. This type of wealth cannot be used or consumed again.

2. Produced goods or capital goods, i.e., raw materials or natural resources which have been converted into specific pieces of machinery, buildings, railroads, etc. We do not eat factories or a transportation system, but they are necessary in the production and distribution of the things we do eat and wear.

Factories, railroads, machinery, not in use in the production of new consumer wealth are useless both to their owners and to society. The greatest loss is that of time passed in idleness, which can never be regained and of useless privation, which eats away the foundations of society and the well-being of its members.

The amount of wealth that can be created and distributed in any nation over any period of time is dependent upon four important factors:

1. The natural resources, or sources of energy.

2. The amount and kinds of producer goods or fixed assets in existence and ready to be employed in production.

3. The human beings able, ready and willing to devote their brains and energy in guiding the necessary processes in the production and distribution of new wealth.

4. An adequate medium of exchange or money.

Problem: The United States has more wealth than any other nation in the world. Yet there is dire want in the midst of this teeming plenty.

Why?

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Letters

(We aim to make this a free forum and readers' opinions are invited. Naturally the views expressed are not always those of this magazine.—EDITOR.)

Christmas for Fr. Coughlin

TO THE EDITOR:

Now that most people are turning their attention to Christmas, wouldn't it be a good idea for all readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE to put Father Coughlin's name on their Christmas list?

He has worked tirelessly for all of us throughout the years and he most certainly has enlightened and educated us. There is one way for us to show our appreciation to him for the many hours we have been privileged to listen to his inspiring words, and that is "Say it with our donation letters and subscriptions to SOCIAL JUSTICE."

Father Coughlin must have enough worries without having to worry over the financial obligations incurred through broadcasting. He has told us more than once that it is *our* broadcast, not his

Most of us are inclined to take Father Coughlin's work for granted. Just because we hate to write letters, we neglect giving him the few words of encouragement and appreciation that he has so justly earned.

—M. B. Farley

Cleveland, Ohio

Communism Nation's Foe

TO THE EDITOR:

The good American always remembers that it is most important to fight Communism.

The virulent germs of Communism, impregnated with death-dealing blows to our religious and civil liberties, should be fought as vigorously as any other pestilence.

Communism is the Black Death of our Christian civilization.

A President who refers to the work of a great Congressman, who is expending so much effort to eradicate this curse, as "a sordid procedure," would hardly appreciate the principles of social justice.

—Martha Dougherty

Geneva N. Y.

Ex-Parte 'Collier's'

TO THE EDITOR:

The editorial page of a recent issue of *Collier's* weekly, was devoted to a criticism of the American people for sending letters and telegrams to their Representatives and Senators when a vote upon important bills is to be taken.

Collier's said that we elect Representatives "to take care of such matters" and that we do so believing them to be perfectly capable and that if we do not approve of their actions, it is our American democratic privilege to dispose of them at next election time.

What *Collier's* did not do was to take to task the lobbyists for industries and utilities who live in Washington to control the votes of the so-called representatives of the people.

—R. F. Hoke

Philadelphia, Pa.

They Keep Us Divided

TO THE EDITOR:

The bankers have always laughed at the people and their real leaders like Father Coughlin, because we didn't have the intelligence to hang together long enough to achieve our economic salvation.

In California there are one million voters who understand money, the perfidy and the treachery of politicians, and these informed persons have the initiative, intelligence and courage to do what it takes to correct the economic disorder in our own State.

California represents one-twentieth of the nation and could adjust the situation by means of an interest-free, self-liquidating and properly controlled credit instrument — and yet our national magazine agrees with our opponents that "it won't work."

Doesn't this seem a bit incongruous?

—C. E. Fritz

Los Angeles, Calif.

An Englishman's View

TO THE EDITOR:

I read that you have been waging a bitter campaign against the repeal of the arms embargo.

So, you are endeavoring by your undoubted great influence to stop the shipment of arms to the Allies. You will not succeed—that I know—but to think you are trying, makes me wonder whether we Christians in France and England have got hold of the wrong story.

We think we are against Red Russia where the Church has ceased to function. We also think we are against Nazi Germany, where the Church is being persecuted. We also think we are fighting for Christian Poland, but perhaps we think wrongly. We think, too, that should Russia get a hold in Europe, Communism will become rife.

Thinking that way makes us feel that Christians the world over should support the Allied cause.

Your neutrality is just helping Hitler who is the arch enemy of God. . . . I don't think you could convince me otherwise. Or am I correct in assuming that American neutrality is above such unbusiness-like things as Christianity.

Perhaps one day, should we lose this war, you in America will have to take up the struggle. Perhaps by that time you will have to admit that talk of American neutrality is just so much bunk when fundamental things are at stake.

—E. D. Browne

Surrey, England

The Great Gold Trick

TO THE EDITOR:

For international bankers, the United States is the world's greatest feeding ground. The Treasury Department affords them a wonderful place to park and the soundproof vaults of the Federal Reserve System make an ideal spot for transaction of foreign business.

Foreign, central and government banks send their gold bars to the United States—the only world market paying $15 per ounce above its coinage value—which gives international bankers 75 per cent profit between the old and the new price of gold.

In February of 1934, Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau, announced that he would buy imported fine gold bars at $35 per ounce (less ¼ of 1 per cent handling charge), and sell gold at $35 plus ¼ of 1 per cent handling cost).

The $10-billion of gold bought added nothing to the purchasing power of the American people. It created $10-billion of liabilities against them, plus interest and was laid to rest in the silent hills of Kentucky, there to remain until fulfilment of Jehovah's promise in which He agreed to deliver the world and contents to His Chosen People.

—E. J. Koller

Salt Lake City, Utah

Disseminator of Truth

TO THE EDITOR:

May I state my belief that SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine is a storehouse of knowledge.

As I reflect back to my high school days, I can see now that a sorely-needed educational reform is in order. Too long has religion been neglected as part of an education, and too often have false philosophies been taught in our public schools.

The spiritual decay and the alarming inclination towards paganism among the common class of people today is traceable mainly to the lack of knowledge.

SOCIAL JUSTICE in this respect is rendering an immeasurable service to that class of people by arming them with the most reasonable weapon possible — knowledge.

I'd like to see SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine always remain that which it is—a vast repository of truth and knowledge

—Adolph Sienkiewicz

Norwood, Mass.

Peril of Involvement

TO THE EDITOR:

United States citizens are deluding themselves if they minimize the danger of our becoming involved in war.

On the contrary, there is an ever-present threat so long as the American public remains indifferent to the powerful grasp that England's Foreign Office has on United States affairs.

Shameful to confess, this nation's most influential individuals, in finance, politics and education, are imbued with Anglomania.

—Lucifer Benedict

Philadelphia, Pa.

A Victory After All

TO THE EDITOR:

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the contribution which Father Coughlin made in the October campaign to stop the drift of our country towards war.

Although we lost the fight to retain the arms embargo, it becomes increasingly clear that we won something more important.

He crystallized public opinion in the country so definitely against involvement that we reversed the attitude of our Government towards getting in.

—Frederick J. Libby

Washington, D. C.

Defense of Liberalism

TO THE EDITOR:

I am a sophomore at the City College which you have stigmatized as the "Little Kremlin." Of course, I have met Communists and Socialists among the student body, but simply because there are some of these classic examples of asinine stupidity in a group, it does not follow that the whole group is "Red" or "Pink." I venture to estimate that there are no more than 2,000 of the 18,000 students inclined to Moscow or Mexico City.

There are about 16,000 of us students at the City College who are going to be adversely affected by the stigma of Communism which your New York writer has placed upon our *alma mater*.

The Communist students are the only ones who have the "wisdom" to speak and organize societies. Their opponents remain uninterested. The situation becomes a very serious one when liberal or progressive elements are placed in the same category along with the "communazis."

The liberal or progressive believes in the capitalistic democracy under which our country has become the most potent in the world and seeks to perfect it, while the "fellow traveler" wishes to replace it by one which will spell complete subjugation of every individual to the power of the State.

—Ira Marienhoff

Washington Heights, N. Y.

The Power to Destroy

TO THE EDITOR:

If all the labor of America were to be organized into "closed-shop" groups, then the leaders of the unions would have the power to ruin the business of any manufacturer against whom they might have a grudge.

These leaders could simply provoke an unwarranted walk-out strike which would paralyze production of his plant, while his competitors would be going ahead at full speed.

This power could be used by the men who control the money and credit of our country; if these financiers can manage to get control of Congress and the Administration, they would have control of labor leaders as well, and have the strangle-hold on any business from which they wished to exact specified demands.

We have seen all the banks of the country (except the four or five thousand which failed to re-open after March, 1933) compelled to come under the Federal Reserve harness, by reason of the requirement of membership being one condition of the Federal guarantee of deposits up to $5,000.

No one questions but that the reins of this harness are held in Wall Street. What if labor, too, is harnessed by the "closed-shop" principle, and the reins held by the same Wall Street gang? What more power could the international financiers of America desire?

—Fred M. Baker

Philadelphia, Pa.

He Converted the Reds

TO THE EDITOR:

The *"From the Tower"* article in the October 23rd issue of SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine is one of the best ever written

Stop Communism at the source. This can be done by granting a living, annual wage to workmen.

I can write with some authority about labor conditions as I never had a strike in the forty years I have been in business, and I have handled between six and seven hundred men of different nationalities.

After the armistice, I had two of the worst type of Bolsheviks working for me. Instead of treating them harshly, I treated them with kindness, and in a year they became United States citizens and were of no further trouble to me or to anyone else.

—William J. Devlin

Philadelphia, Pa.

Expecting Draft Riots

TO THE EDITOR:

A short time ago the Massachusetts Police Chiefs Association conducted a meeting. This group is composed of police chiefs from the various cities and towns of Massachusetts, and the speaker at this particular meeting was a Federal official.

He advised the police officials present to form in their localities civilian gun and rifle clubs so that if the United States Army could not recruit enough men by January to bring the Army up to the desired quota, then drafting would commence, and the Government expected riots.

The story appeared in the *Boston Globe* and was the subject of editorial comment to the effect that the public should be given more information about these "minute men of 1939."

The information, however, is not forthcoming at this date, and I believe the matter should be brought to the attention of the people of this country through the medium of SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine.

The Government must expect an uprising of more than riotous proportions if they are so desirous of having civilians instructed in the use of firearms.

The proposed draft would probably remove all the unemployed young men from civilian life. It is estimated by Owen Young, chairman of the National Youth Conference, that one-third of the unemployed people in this country are young persons between the ages of 15 and 25.

—I. C.

Medford, Mass.

He Blames Hitler

TO THE EDITOR:

The age-old enemy of Poland has again destroyed her neighbor to the East without declaration of war and has inflicted the most cruel sufferings and tortures upon an innocent, peace-loving people.

The sole responsibility for the catastrophe, it seems to me, rests upon one insane and power-drunk ruler who has a blood-thirst against all who do not agree with his psychopathic notions—that person is Hitler.

All nations must submit to German hegemony. Britain and France knew all this when they had joined issue for the salvation of democracy of freedom in Europe; they knew that a price had to be paid and they were prepared.

Democracy and liberty are worth a great price, and in the end, democracy will win and freedom will be restored to the world.

—Stanley Bryan

Minneapolis, Minn.

Best Propaganda Will Win

TO THE EDITOR:

Now that the former Crown Prince of Germany has been "decapitated" for the third time, and is still going about his office without a head, it may be reasonable even at this precocious moment to ask who will win the war.

It is increasingly evident that the most potential prevaricator and the one who can give birth to the best pretext without exposing the cause is going to win this war.

Remember, if we may rely on the best and most reputable authorities, the last war was won by those who could lie the most skillfully and stick to the pretext by concealing the cause. The pretext needs to be well-chosen and requires much careful nursing to prevent the cause from an attack of violent indigestion. The masses are trepanned with the pretext and the cause is never known until it is too late; behind the pretext lies the real crime, and unless you are able to discriminate between pretext and cause, you will be a victim of crass ignorance.

As yet, we have neither a virtuous pretext nor even a cause to look beyond these shores for trouble, but don't worry, that will be arranged. According to Quincy Howe, "England expects every American to do his bit," and I may add, J. P. Morgan will see that you do it.

—Louis Dilger

Hyattsville, Md

What has silver to do with the revolt in India?

Will it affect the United States?

Read the answer on Page 8 of today's SOCIAL JUSTICE.

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Sure, I Believe in the Youth Movement

Busy Custodian of Shrine Recites 'Short and Simple Annals' of an American Saga

By Campbell Brown

WELL, THE ORDEAL is over. For the past week or so my friends have been regarding me rather queerly. George, the gas station attendant, broke through his customary formality with a wide grin to ask me how the Mrs. was getting along. Even Mrs. McCarthy, in the confectionery store, appeared to be over-solicitious when she counted out a "baker's" dozen of cookies with the remark: "There's an odd one in there for Marjory."

So it was all day around the office. Miss McGuire, the telephone operator, was kind enough to remind me that she wanted to know my whereabouts every minute. Whether it was jealousy or just a manifestation of brotherly love—I don't know. Leo and Frank, George and Carl—all of them had a pat on the back for yours truly; all of them were more than inquisitive about the little woman's health at home.

This thing of becoming a father is no longer a private affair. In fact, my privacy could be compared to that of a canary bird in a gilded cage. To tell the truth, now that I look back on it all, I must have been a perfect Barnum and Bailey in advertising my feelings and emotions.

And to think that I already have a son, whom two years of careful training and nursing has built up until all the neighbors called him "Butch." One would think that I had explored every avenue of marital jitters. Not so, not so.

Even the Cigar Store Treated!

Just this morning I dropped into the cigar store to buy a box of Perfectos. Believe it or not, the news had even traveled that far. Mr. Lucas, turning from a customer, extended his hand across the counter saying, "Congratulations, Campbell. Have one on the house!"

Personally, I can't figure out why it is necessary to insert notices in the daily news sheet to record the birth of an offspring. The whole town knew about it—and some of the townfolk knew more about it than I did.

Yes, it's a boy. In fact, it's the second boy. In fact, he's almost twins. Poor Marge weighs in the neighborhood of 115 pounds, but the new addition to our family tipped the scales at 9 pounds flat!

Am I proud? What with the cost of living—Christmas toys and the romper suits, medicine, beef steaks and the produce of a couple of Jersey cows—I am supposed to walk around in an economic daze. To tell you the truth, I'm just too happy for words. I'm even upset to think that "Butch," the senior member of the team, is temporarily *evacuee*—that is, he's over at grandma's. Already I'm waiting until wife, Marge, gets home from the hospital and until "Butch" No. 2 is initiated in the fine art of slugging back at his big brother.

Certainly, I believe in the youth movement. I've never attended a meeting of these radical fathers or radical sons. Therefore, I'm no authority to discuss their policies or economies. I'm just a simple, youthful father with twenty-nine happy years under my belt.

Youth Wants Home Like Mother and Dad

Today I look back to my own home filled with brothers, all of whom were endowed with the biggest appetites and the biggest feet in Oakland County. We grew up together, walked a mile and a half to school each morning, returned at noon to assimilate a couple of gallons of soup and a huge loaf of home-made bread with plenty of applesauce as a chaser. Eventually we played on the same football team and carved out fine reputations for ourselves on the baseball team. Dad and mother were just simple folks, but evidently, when mother was a bride, some kind Padre had told her that a woman shall be saved by bearing children. Yes, she will be saved in more ways than one, because we boys persist in keeping her young and busy and happy, particularly when we shove our No. 9's under her Sunday afternoon dinner table.

But this youth movement in which I believe is certainly working out swell. Marge and I get along on the basis that marriages were made in Heaven. Both of us have worked hard—and saved. Just before we were married we bought a lot on the outskirts of the city and negotiated a Government loan.

Yes, sirree. A three-bedroom house on that 100-foot lot. There are plenty of trees in the backyard. There is plenty of fresh air and a nice assortment of furniture. And there's "Butch," of course, and the new baby, whom we haven't named at this writing.

The only mistake I've made so far is to build a three-bedroom house; if Marge and I hold out all right, I hope to build a dormitory.

Christian Will Let God Do the Worrying

And worries? Sure, there's plenty of worries. Every time you cross Woodward Avenue you worry for the future when you observe how fast the cars travel along. You worry over germs and poliomyelitis. You worry over the possibility of safety pins being mistaken for food. In fact, you can worry over so many trifling things that you wouldn't have time to do any work. Instead of smiles and good times that Marge and I have had together, we could have become past masters at "belly-aching."

Aw, shucks, what's the use of doing that? I've found it more profitable to let God do the worrying for me. *My job is to work and hold on to my youth so that I can train the future Olympic champions in basketball.*

And you have no idea how swell all the people were to me and Marge. Of course I handed out the cigars, but they sent them back with interest; a little Miraculous medal for the new baby, two dozen diapers in another package, a $10.00 bank account from the boss (he was only waiting to find out the name of the new owner), groceries from the neighbors, and a ton of good-will from all the boys and girls with whom I work.

You are asking me if I believe in the youth movement? Yes, sirree, 100 per cent. I'm just anticipating the day when these two youngsters and two or three more of their brothers will be old enough for me to walk to church on the second Sunday of the month and become better acquainted with that Peerless Youth who said: *"Suffer little children to come unto Me for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."*

Thanks for Favor

1233 Avery Ave.
Syracuse, N. Y.
Nov. 5, 1939

Dear Father Coughlin:

Please find five dollars enclosed.

Will you kindly say a High Mass of Thanksgiving for a favor we have received? My husband has been troubled with rheumatism and he is better now and we promised this Mass if he was better. Kindly pray for us.

We are sincerely and gratefully yours,

Mr. and Mrs. James Suffron
1233 Avery Ave.
Syracuse, N. Y.

Causes of Modern Wars

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in your own minds, with your own applications, out of your deep and widespread knowledge of world history.

I want you to take the principle abroad and apply it to Russia in the days of Peter the Great, when he wanted a window to the sea; through the days of pan-Slavism, pan-Germanism, Italia Irredenta, the Polish corridor, the lost colonies of La Belle France, and so on through the nations and the years till you see through modern history the frightful force of exaggerated nationality as a cause of war.

(To be Continued)

The League of the Little Flower Requests You to pray for the Sick and the Dead

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, through our Lord Jesus Christ and by the charity of the Holy Ghost, that you help me in your prayers for me to God." ROMANS 15:30

DECEASED

CALIFORNIA
Los Angeles
Mary Helen Buckley

CONNECTICUT
Winsted
Michael Kilcrin

ILLINOIS
Alton
Mrs. Annie Gorman
Chicago
Mrs. J. C. Smith
Gardner
Mr. and Mrs. Bray

INDIANA
Marion
Mrs. Bonnie Behr

IOWA
Monticello
Frank Kehoe

KENTUCKY
Silver Grove
Ed Rumker

MARYLAND
Baltimore
Elizabeth Ann Coll

MASSACHUSETTS
Boston
Mrs. Richard E. Sullivan
Millbury
Mary A. Cannon
New Bedford
Mr. Foley
Randolph
John E. McDonald

MICHIGAN
Ludington
Mr. Popp

MINNESOTA
St. Paul
Mr. Peil

NEBRASKA
Lincoln
John Hanley

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Manchester
Timothy O'Connor

NEW JERSEY
Westwood
John J. O'Toole

NEW YORK
Albion
Marie Assunda DiLodovico
Brooklyn
Joseph Farrish, Sr.
Hollis, L. I.
Mrs. Antonia Cirillo
New York
Dorothy Neubauer
Federico Rico y Fraga
Wayland
Sister M. Isadora
Yonkers
Agnes O'Connor

OHIO
Cleveland
Catherine Grimes
Columbus
Mary A. Campbell
Dayton
Joe Weaver

PENNSYLVANIA
Philadelphia
William P. Lowery
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CONNECTICUT
Hartford
Helen Mathers
West Hartford
Charlotte Armstrong

INDIANA
South Bend
Mrs. Adeline Bertman

MASSACHUSETTS
So. Boston
John A. Foley
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MISSOURI
Kirkwood
Mrs. Anna Bast
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NEW JERSEY
Mays Landing
Mr. Henry Gobel

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You are invited to join the League of the Little Flower.

BENEFITS: 1. You are remembered every morning at Mass at the Shrine of the Little Flower.

2. You are remembered every morning at a Special Mass said for our intentions at the Tomb of Christ near Jerusalem.

OBLIGATION: Each day say the Lord's Prayer for the intention of the Little Flower. Her intention is to lead souls back to God.

PRIVILEGES: You are privileged to enclose the names of the deceased members of your family. They will be remembered each day at the Sacrifice of the Mass.

FEES: Each living member is requested to contribute one dollar a year.

The money derived from this will be used to help Father Coughlin promote his religious activities.

Mail your membership dues to Father Coughlin at Royal Oak, Mich.

Your prayers are earnestly solicited for our sick friends and for the faithful departed who have recently passed to their reward.

Wishing to take part in the activities of the League of the Little Flower, I hereby make application to become one of its members.

Herewith is enclosed_____dollar(s) as membership fee for the League of the Little Flower for the person(s) listed below:

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Our Solitary Boast

Broadcast by Rev. Chas. E. Coughlin, Sunday, December 10, 1939.

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IT APPEARS to be extremely old-fashioned and unintellectual to make mention of such a thing as original sin. Nevertheless, it does not require a keen observer to discover the effects of some titanic catastrophe which befell the human race. In their happiest moments of idealism our poets can sing their songs of things as they should be. Our painters can cover their canvases with winsome madonnas, not as they really are, but as they could have been. A Thomas More may thrill us with his Utopia free from tears and misery and poverty. Both our social workers in the slums or in the courts are forced to take both poem and picture, dream and fancy and supplant them with the sordid prose of life's realities.

Now a thoughtful man will pause and ponder when he contrasts the story of things as they really are with the poem of his ideals—with things as they should have been. He is anxious to discover a cause for this great betrayal of human nature.

One thing is certain: If you search long enough you will find that the blood of every human being with whom you come in contact has been tinctured with a common poison—a poison that is productive of error; a poison that blinds the spiritual eye, that withers the love of the heart. This tinctured blood flows in the veins of every human being. Everyone, say I? Yes, everyone, save a simple Jewish maiden.

It is fitting at this Christmastide that I speak to you of our tainted nature's solitary boast. She is a person who was not only born free of this universal blight called original sin, but one who was conceived without its least taint soiling her soul.

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Upon the wings of fancy, come back with me to a day when this vast world of ours had not yet been fashioned. God was planning silver rivers and deep blue lakes; planning snow-peaked mountains and veins of gold to weave throughout the bosom of the earth. In His creative mind there was the picture of forests and dales, the song of thrush and lark and the love of myriad angels who hovered about His throne.

And then came the day of creation. The sky was mantled in a robe of peerless blue. The earth laughed in song and in gladness. The first gentle spring had come, heralded by the first melodious harmony of feathered songsters.

At length, sons of Adam and Eve builded their homes and nations, lived their lives, fought their wars and forgot their God. The ideal of the original man and woman all but perished. Looking down the vista of time, the mind of God beheld one creature, the greatest of all His works of art, in whom the first ideal should not perish. From all eternity He had planned her. It was the mother of His only begotten Son! For her He robbed the skies of their blue; He stole from the birds their songs to fill her heart; He borrowed from the laughing gold its purest strands from which to spin her hair; and from the Seraphim and Cherubim He captured their love—all for her, the paragon of His creation.

It were blasphemy to arrogate to ourselves a quality which God did not possess. It were sacrilege to attribute to ourselves a power of love or affection which our Creator did not have in an infinitely superior manner and degree. If we have a spark of wisdom within our soul, His mind is flooded with its infinity. If our hearts have learned what a precious thing it is to love a mother, His Sacred Heart has had that love in a boundless degree. Neither limitation nor curtailment of any kind limits the Infinite Heart of God-Made-Man and tells Him, "thus far may you love and no further; thus, you may dream, but never hope to realize."

But, my dear friends, for a moment may you and I who have climbed the rungs of the years upon the ladder of life look back in memory to the days of our girlhood or boyhood. There is the vision before you of your mother as she used to be: Golden hair, blue eyes, tender hand and queenly heart appear before your reminiscent mind. But it is only a memory which remains to mock you as you look from the topmost rung of your ladder. Silver hair and dimmed eyes, and bent shoulders—yes, for many of you, a heart that is stilled in death was the last picture engraved upon your mind of this queen, your mother.

It would be irreverent for me or for anyone else to play upon the strings of the human heart, with the soft, sentimental music of words. But bear with me a moment, ladies and gentlemen. If it were in your power at this instant to lift away the clods of clay, and silence the winter's blasts which sing sad requiems over your mother's grave—if it were within your power, you would bring her back again, breathe life into her still, numbed body, laughter unto her lips and fill the chalice of her poor, cold heart with the purest wine of joy, would you not?

That may be a fanciful thought. But it is one that is born with an honest idealism which exists in every boy's heart; in every girl's heart. If you were king, your mother would be queen.

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Are you forgetful of the story of the Boy, Jesus Christ? That Boy had sentiments not only as pure as yours and mine regarding mothers' love—His were divine. Unlike you and me, He was not forced to remain only an idealist. His wish was His command. You and I conjure up the unseemly forms of hostile elements which in their combined effort have taken the mother from our arms and have made a mockery of her youth and smile and girlhood beauty. You and I can simply bow our heads before their inevitable victory. But that Boy, when He grew to manhood, calmed the angry seas; cleansed lepers, and at a word, brought back life to the cold corpse of the little daughter of Jairus. That Boy had command over every element of death and destruction because He is God as well as Man. Therefore, He Who is infinite power need not remain a mere idealist when there was question of extending to His own mother whom He loved best and most, the gifts within His power!

That is why He stole from the stars the silver of their voice. That is why He borrowed the beauty of the blue heavens to crystallize them in her eyes. That is why He saved her from the touch of that thing called original sin—original sin that darkens the intellect and hides truthfulness. Original sin that, like cancer, eats away at the heart of us as it weakens our will. Original sin, that is the sworn foe of all true beauty.

From the battlements of heaven, long before He became man, Almighty God had witnessed the travesty which sin and Satan were making of His handiwork. Long before His infant lips uttered their first cry amidst the poverty of Bethlehem, He had realized that if He were to be the David of the *New Testament,* born to slay the giant Goliath; the Moses of the new age come into the world of bondage to lead His fellowmen to the land of promise, He, too, must be raised and nourished by no daughter born in slavery, but by the princess herself. He could not afford to have Satan stand on the steeps of Calvary Hill and mock the blood that flowed from His thousand wounds as blood that had come from a mother's heart once under His bondage. Indeed, here was a necessity of fitness that no lien or mortgage be held upon those priceless, ruby drops of blood, by one from whom he was exacting the last farthing. Scripture cannot prove it to you conclusively. It is a thought which comes leaping down to us from the heart of love from the soul of every son and daughter.

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If Christ could have done what you or I in our dream hours would like to do; and if it were most befitting that He should have done it lest His Own flesh and blood would bear the insignia of Satan, it follows that Christ absolutely did perform the work which He could have done and which was befitting for Him to do.

Today, therefore, let us cast a glance about us and envision the legions of shut-ins whose bodies are racked in pain, the myriads of impoverished who look for hope in vain; the great river of crime and hate mingling its muddy water with the stream of virtue and love, pausing to take inventory of what nature is as we find it. But at the same time, as a miner in the depths of a hole which he has dug into the earth can look aloft even in the broad daytime and see the stars scintillating in the heights of heaven, we, too, from the depths into which we have dug ourselves by sin, can envision the purest of creatures, can catch a glimpse of what we might have been had not sin come to scatter its error in the intellect, its weakness in the will and its propensity to every evil known to physician and scientist and sociologist. Alone she stands, our "tainted nature's solitary boast," the one spotless creature, unblemished by sin! She is the ideal to which we aspire, the tender mother not only of Christ, but of every one of Christ's brothers and sisters who are not forgetful either of Bethlehem's miracle or of Calvary's tragedy.

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Thus, to thee we turn, our spotless Queen, and in unison we say:

"Remember, O most pious Virgin Mary, that no one ever had recourse to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy meditation without obtaining relief. Confiding then on thy goodness and mercy, I cast myself at thy sacred feet, and do most humbly supplicate thee, O Mother of the eternal Word, to adopt me as thy child and take upon thyself the care of my salvation! Oh, let it not be said, my dearest Mother, that I have perished where no one ever found but grace and salvation! Amen."

Yes, she is the Madonna, the Mother of Christ, the Mother of mankind.

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Would you honor her today and, through her, honor the Babe of Bethlehem in His cold crib?

I have a suggestion. You are about to buy expensive presents—many of you—for your well-circumstanced children, relatives and friends. Possibly, some of you are planning to send me a Christmas remembrance of some value—and this is my suggestion. Without asking the assistance of any organization, motor down to the factory district, or to the slums of your city. There find some home—or rather, some hovel—where dwells a father and mother and child for whom there is no room in the inn of this civilization. Be an angel this Christmas, bringing to those outcasts not only a basket of food, not only a parcel of clothing but some spiritual comfort.

We who are better circumstanced will bless you for it even though you forget us.

Oh, yes, there is somewhere a madonna and her child who needs your kindness. The challenging spirit of Christ's Christmas and of Mary's Christmas invite you to befriend them. Undoubtedly, hundreds of thousands are listening to these words. Is there one of you, able to do this Christmas act, who will not do it in memory of the Christ Child, in memory of Mary Immaculate, and in memory of your own mother?

I know you will. God bless you and keep you!

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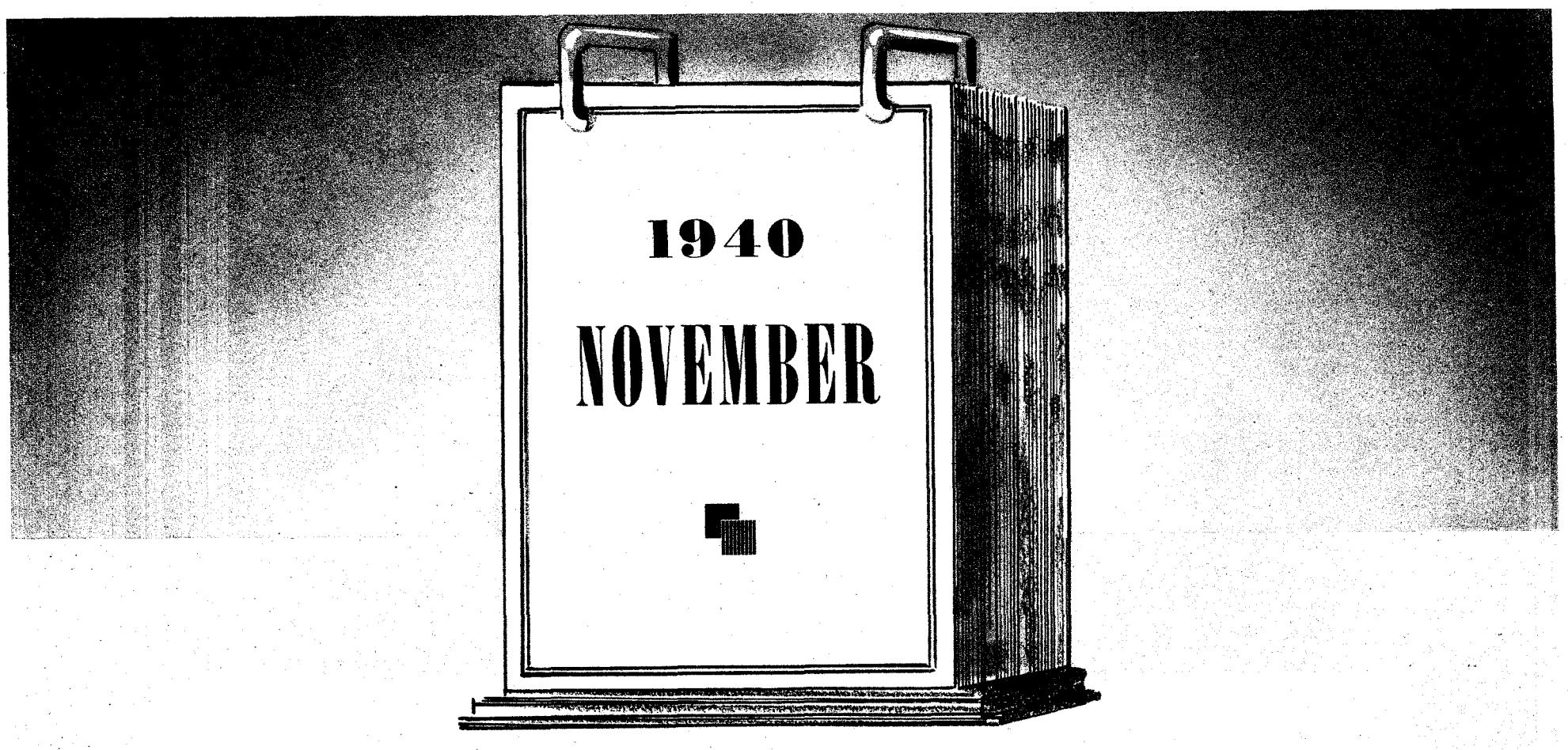

We Must Win in 1940—Or Never

THE coming twelve months will be the last lap —the home stretch—in Father Coughlin's ten-year-battle for social justice in America.

He, and you, MUST drive home the last spike of victory in 1940—or never.

Father Coughlin is tired, but never before has he been as determined to rally his millions of friends towards a final triumph next November.

Harried by anti-American critics, hectored by the Reds, abused by those who would drag our nation into foreign war, he will fight on as long as there is breath in him to speak.

Father Coughlin knows he is right—and you know he is right. Radio managers of 47 stations who have signed up broadcasting contracts know he is right.

Beginning immediately after the New Year, the Priest of Royal Oak will launch the most blasting attack ever waged against the horrors of bad economics in America. He will single out such false policies as thrive in our midst, and show them to be what they are — deceivers of the American people.

He will tear the veil from the sneering faces of those who are betraying the United States—selling it down the river of internationalist conspiracy.

He will fight in 1940 as he has never before fought—for just wages to workers, relief of unemployment, a more equal distribution of wealth, and for complete rearrangement of our internal economics.

He will continue to expose and condemn the machinations of Moscow termites as they have never before been condemned.

The hour of final VICTORY is approaching, friends. It MUST come in 1940. If we fail—ah, if we fail! There will be nothing left but more hunger, more misery, more bloodshed, more chaos than our country, or the world, has ever seen.

But we shall NOT fail—not on this "last lap" of our long journey to a better America.

We shall NEVER fail—if you remain at Father Coughlin's side on the "home stretch."

Father Coughlin must know now—TODAY—that you will stay with him in this last and decisive battle. He must know that every man and woman who reads SOCIAL JUSTICE is at his shoulder.

Already Father Coughlin has received 73,000 letters bidding him go on, fight, never quit. But these are not enough.

THERE MUST BE TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN THE BROADCASTING FUND WITHIN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. RADIO EXPENSE IS NOW CLOSE TO $10,000.00 PER WEEK.

This is not much money when spread over the 500,000 readers of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine. Not much money if every reader, who can afford it, would help out with a donation of from $1 to $20.

But, in order to have weekly broadcasting assured, Father Coughlin MUST KNOW who is with him. He must know that at once!

Do not break ranks in the face of the enemy now. The last battle decides many wars. Stick with Father Coughlin. Write today and tell him you will stick. Give him your help over this final hurdle to Victory. In return, he will give you his last ounce of strength—

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Social Justice

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SOCIAL JUSTICE SEEKS HONEST DEAL FOR LABOR

LIVING ANNUAL WAGE AS WELL AS RIGHT TO ORGANIZE IS PROGRAM

NUMBER TEN of the sixteen principles of social justice set out at the masthead of our editorial page declares for ***"Labor's right to organize;"*** but we never have been content to stop there. Principle No. 2, we believe to be relatively more important, namely: ***That every man able and willing to work is entitled to a just, living annual wage.***

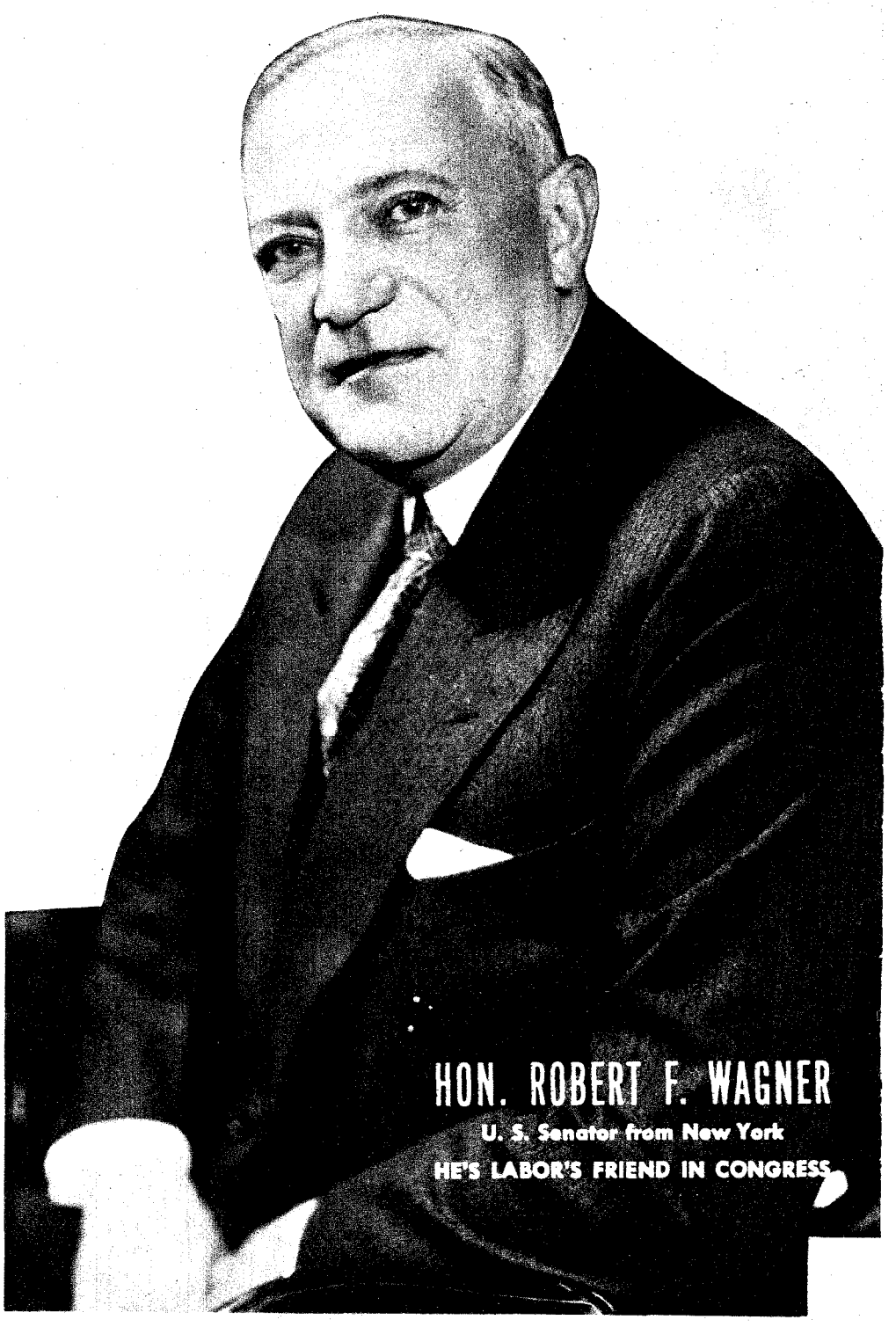
That is to say, that the first tax on industry—before even profits can be allocated to the stockholders of a business—is labor's wage. And we maintain that this wage must be an adequate *family* wage computed on a round-the-year basis, regardless of the number of hours or the number of cents an hour that the working man now earns under his union contract.

In fighting for this basic principle of a **living annual wage** for labor, we have often been misrepresented as the enemies of labor. This charge is brought by radicals who pose under the false front of "friends of labor." Thus, even before they have time to loose their propaganda once more—in the aftermath of the recent automobile strikes—SOCIAL JUSTICE herewith reiterates that the *living annual wage* for labor, as well as labor's *right to organize*, will be maintained and fought for by this National Magazine and by Social Justice Study Clubs now organizing by the thousands throughout America.

Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York, author of the Wagner Labor Law, has gone further than has any professional labor leader to define and legislate for an honest square deal for labor. As pointed out in Father Coughlin's broadcast a week ago, and in last week's edition of SOCIAL JUSTICE National Magazine, all of the testimony of able experts presented in hearings on the labor bill in 1934 is still sound. But in addition, we now have the costly experience of five years of strikes in industry to prove that the advocates of a completer labor bill were correct.

SOCIAL JUSTICE proposes, and labor's good friend in the United States Senate, the Hon. Robert F. Wagner, stands ready to present amendments which will balance rights with responsible duties to protect those rights, thus to assure in the next Congress an honest deal for American labor.

To that end, SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine and the Social Justice Clubs, will dedicate their efforts during the coming year. New readers, as well as "veterans" in the social justice movement, are invited to pass along the good news that an earnest application of the sixteen principles of social justice offer labor a better deal than it has yet had from its divided union leadership. We are not *against* unionization, principle 10 advocates it; but we do go further than any union contract has yet sought to go, and that is that we demand for labor a *just, living annual wage*—a wage that will support the worker's family the year round, and a wage that will keep pace with the cost of living—not so many cents an hour while you work and starvation when you do not.



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